

THE FAIR.

Here is a pile of bargains we have built up to be pulled down and carried off by our eager customers. Study carefully as there is not a block but is of interest to YOU.



Granite Sauce Pans are needed every day in the year, but more especially during canning season. Our sales on these have been so large we have been unable to keep our line complete. Were compelled to telegraph two orders last week,—with covers 10c up.

Granite Tea and Coffee Pots. If you want bright cheery looking Tea and Coffee Pots, Tea Kettles, etc., that always look clean you will buy our copper plated goods. It is a pleasure to have your cup filled from one of these bright articles. Tea and Coffee Pots 44 and 66c, Tea Kettles 65 and 85c.

Granite Covered Pails 8c. Pints 44c, quarts 44c, two quart 65c, extra covers 25c. Water Pails 39c, 49c, 59c. Foot Tubs 69c. Soap Dishes covered jelly glasses, plain and fluted 18c and 22c doz., can fillers 3c each.

Granite Basins, deep pudding pans and milk pans 5c up. Pie tins, round and square, layer cake tins, dripping pans, wash basins, dish pans, dinner pails, funnels, spoons, cups, etc.

Our Sales on Cortland screen doors and windows have been phenomenal. We have received cases that have not been brought in the store, simply piled up on the walk and sold. How could it be otherwise with a door sold complete for 65c? Extension window screen 10c.

Milk Pans, plain and heavy. 5c up, sanitary strainers 18c, common strainers 10c, milk dippers, angel cake tin 17c, six ringed muffin pan 5c, covered bread raisers 19c, 29c, 39c, 44c, 49c.

Nothing can equal our line of glass. It is clear, sparkling and complete. From a 5c custard cup to a mammoth bowl. Of our many good things our new 10c assortment is not one of the least.

Hammocks. We have not waited to get a large price for these, but started them at the beginning of the season at closing out prices. The few we have left will be sold at the regular prices. Large sizes with pillow 49c, 69c and 89c. Another with deep valance 98c, etc.

Open Stock in Dinner Ware is of interest to every housewife and lover of china. We are making a special of this line for a few days. See our window of different decorations and prices.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE, No. 8 East Main Street, Middletown, N. Y.

ONE CENT A WORD for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

I AM Prepared to furnish Building Sand at 10 cents a yard. Address C. G. BALDWIN Hudson River Tel. 28. Middletown. 8d6t

E LAT—Seven rooms, all improvements, first class condition, No. 7 Roberts street, lower floor. Apply 8d2t T. A. MARCH or on premises.

B LACUS' Iron Pills—The great blood remedy. Give strength. 35c a hundred at CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

W ANTED—Room for storage on the hill. Apply at this office.

K EEP Cool by drinking freely of our delicious assortment to select from. Also Coca Cola for tired nerves. Genuine Deep Rock Spring Water, direct from the springs, at CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

4 ROOMS to rent, No. 10 West Main street, second floor, all conveniences. Enquire of E. E. CONKLING, Ast. 8d5t

M ASON'S Can Rubbers 4c a dozen at DAYTON'S.

G ALVANIZED Water Pails 10c at DAYTON'S.

F OR SALE—Sweepstakes Stallion, sire Sweepstakes dam, Knickerbocker, grand dam Black Harry Clay. Foaled July 23, '93. There is no better young horse in New York State for breeding. Will be sold very cheap. Call on or address M. J. DUNHAM or M. B. VAN FLEET, Middletown, N. Y.

G OOD Oil Stoves 69c at DAYTON'S.

T HE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Monahan avenue. 7d5t Oct 28, 98

P HILIP A. RORTY, Counselor at law, 15 East Main street. Legal business of all kinds. Special attention to searching and collections. 6d7t

J OS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street—Full line of fine shoes. Ladies' shoes, Goodyear welt, \$1.99. Men's good working shoes \$1. Men's fine shoes \$1.50 to \$3. Repairing neatly done at very reasonable prices. Shoes made to order, perfect fit. Best leather 19 and 22c per pound. Shoemakers' materials of all kinds. Present to every customer. 8d5m Oct 28 No. 91 FULTON STREET.

ONE CENT A WORD for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

F OR PENT—Four rooms, first floor. Wawa-yanda avenue 8d

W ANTED—2,500 bond and mortgage. Central security. EDWIN S. MERRILL, Attorney at Law, Rooms 8 and 9 Times Building, King street.

M AKE Your home beautiful and attractive by touching up old furniture, chairs, tables and benches, doors and doors, window sills and ash, scratched toys, flower stands and pots, wheelbarrows and carts, kitchen dressers, etc., with Lucas' Prepared Paints. Twenty-six hand-some shades, including all the newest and most practical colors for inside work also inside and outside white, porcelain white and black. Any person can apply them. Put up in one pound cans. Call or send for sample card showing colors we carry. Low prices. CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

W ANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 8d1y3jly1498

F IRBD O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 90 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 34th street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

L D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephone—153 residence, 318 office. Hudson River or long distance telephone No. 291. Branch office 40 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, 45 Great James St., New York. Lady Assistant.

K NAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York City. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

J OHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

D OUGHERTY & CARRY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 40 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 52 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

TAKING THINGS EASY.

It is altogether too warm for argument, on which account we will rely on cut prices to sell our goods. During JULY and AUGUST the bargain tables are loaded loaded and he who runs may read the reduction cards. We would be pleased to have you inspect them.

S. LIPFELD, Clothier and Furnisher, 25 North St.

5 1/2 Cts. a Pound Best Granulated Sugar. **SLOAT'S CASH STORE.**

WE KNOW THAT ALL the summer goods that we do not sell this month we shall have to carry over, and we dislike to do that, so we are not going to stop at the cost price on many things, but go below it. Silk Vellings, large dots, 11c; Fancy Netting 10c; Strong Wings 25c; also Baby Bonnets 15c. MRS. BUSH, 14 North St.

NEW YORK PAT STORE, 220 North street, Brooklyn—cream soda in the city in milk, one good and fresh regular. Agency New York Life Insurance Company's office. NEW YORK PAT STORE, Middletown, N. Y. 8d5t Oct 28, 98

7 CENTS A POUND THE **Finest California Hams** C. N. PRUDHOM & SON.

Land Plaster 35c Per Hundred FINE HOMOY MEAL 70 CTS. PER HUNDRED. Ground Oats \$1.20 Per Hundred CRACKED CORN 33 CTS. A HUNDRED. Corn Meal 83 Cents Per Hundred RYE, CORN AND OATS HORSE FEED 90 CTS. PER HUNDRED. Ketcham & Behme, 15 Montgomery St. MILLERS. TELEPHONE CALL 29.

THE NEW INVASION

Miles Is Probably Now In Porto Rican Waters.

SENDING ON MORE MEN.

Troops Ready to Leave Charleston and Tampa.

REPORT FROM GENERAL SHAFTER

No Mention of Differences With Garcia. Troublesome Correspondents Deported—Guantanamo, San Luis and Palma Surrender.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—It was said at the war department late yesterday that no news could be expected from any official source as to General Miles' movements until tonight at the earliest. It is calculated that he arrived last night at the point on the coast of Porto Rico selected as the rendezvous for all the vessels of the expedition. Whether or not he will undertake to make a landing in advance of the arrival of the whole expedition will probably depend entirely upon conditions as he finds them. Should there be no Spanish force, or at least an inconsiderable one, on the coast, the troops will be landed to relieve them from the disastrous effects of being confined closely on shipboard under a tropical sun.

The general has with him sufficient artillery to hold any position he may occupy, supplemented as this artillery will be by the guns of his naval convoy. Meanwhile the department is making every effort to hurry along the remainder of the expedition. Some troops are now on their way from Tampa and Charleston and should reach Porto Rico by the middle of the week.

Naval officials are assisting actively in getting the troops off and were engaged yesterday in sending the necessary orders to that end to the commanders of the naval auxiliary vessels which have been placed at the service of the war department. In the course of a day or two the troops brought from Chickamauga by General Brooke will sail from Hampton Roads, where they arrived yesterday and are now ready for the transports. There is a probability that General Miles will be delayed for several days in his landing operations for lack of lighters, but several of these are now on their way and others will be hurried forward as rapidly as possible. However, it may be well along toward the end of this week before the active land campaign can be begun in Porto Rico.

General Shafter reported by cable yesterday that the condition of the troops at Santiago was rapidly improving and said he hoped very soon to have them all located in comfortable camps where they may rest and recuperate and where the sick may recover. He is feeding 11,000 of the Spanish prisoners of war, and although he has not yet been able to furnish them tents this deficiency is being made good. Meanwhile their present condition is no worse in this respect than was their condition before the surrender.

The general makes no mention of the alleged letter from Garcia to himself, nor does he speak of any friction between them, whence the department has come to doubt the authenticity of published stories on this subject.

In his report to the war department relative to the conditions at Santiago General Shafter has thrown some light upon the difficulties in which certain of the newspaper correspondents there have involved themselves. From his report it would appear that, animated by an ambition to take a prominent part in the important events following each other in rapid succession at Santiago after the initiation of the negotiations for the surrender of the city, a few of the correspondents were guilty of grave breaches of military law, necessitating prompt corrective action by General Shafter. Thus, for instance, one correspondent in his efforts to take part in the flag raising over the city had resisted the military officers in the execution of their duty and even attempted a personal assault upon the commanding general. This made him subject to summary and severe punishment, even death, yet General Shafter, probably realizing that ignorance of military law was the explanation of the action, contented himself with expelling the correspondent from Cuba.

A more serious offense, from the fact that it might easily have led to rioting and loss of life, was that of three other correspondents, who, it appears by General Shafter's report, by circulating inflammatory posters stirred up the town. They were likewise deported, and as evidence that he has no personal ill feeling toward the paper represented by them, but desires only to exercise such control as is imperatively demanded in the interest of safety of our troops and protection of the people under their care, General Shafter has declared that these correspondents may be replaced by others from the same newspaper who will observe the rules of prudence. No mention is made of any other cases requiring attention, and it is indicated that the relations between the newspaper men and the army officers at Santiago are generally amicable and satisfactory.

It is very dignified manner General Shafter takes notice of some of the severely critical newspaper articles that have appeared touching the condition

of the troops before Santiago while they lay in the trenches. He admits that there was a shortage of tobacco for a time, but shows conclusively that there was no lack of the necessities of life, and the troops were adequately supplied with hard bread, bacon, sugar and coffee. Although this bill of fare is not as extensive as that afforded troops in garrison, it embodies the main features of the army ration while on field service and removed from a base of supplies. As it has been alleged in some quarters that there was a lack of purpose in the battle incident to the advance upon Santiago, it is interesting to note that while General Shafter admits that for two days he was himself lying ill owing to the great heat and exposure he asserts that the plans laid down in advance for the movement were carried out with absolute exactness. The week just closed saw the end of the third month of the war with Spain, and the responsible officials from the president down to the lowest employee who has had to do with shaping the course of events feel nothing but satisfaction at the progress made. An army of 250,000 men has been mobilized, armed and equipped and much of it has been in service. The battles preceding the capture of Santiago have been remarkable in many respects and in the opinion of military experts have covered the United States army engaged with imperishable glory. Modern warfare of a type developed in these engagements was absolutely new and untried, not only to the United States army, but to the world. No such charge is recorded in history as that made upon the stone forts and the blockhouses crowning the hills of El Caney. There have been engagements between trained troops and savage races in the jungles of India and on the hills of South Africa of late years that conveyed in a slight manner the possibilities of modern weapons, but these battles fought by the Fifth army corps have been the first in which large bodies of troops of civilized nations on both sides have been engaged with all the implements of modern warfare, and they are bound to be highly instructive to the military students and to extort admiration for the splendid fighting qualities of the United States soldiers from the most unwillful critics.

Few officers in any army have had more experience in hard fighting, especially in rough country, than that old Indian fighter, General Henry, so that some weight must be attached to the opinion of our officers and troops expressed by him in the following personal letter addressed by him to Adjutant General Corbin, dated in front of Santiago, July 12:

"We had a pleasant sail down, but, having to tow the men ashore, took some time to get off. We left Siboney at 2 p. m. yesterday with the Eighth Ohio and came into camp here about three miles from front. In company with General Breckinridge, rode to the front to General Wheeler's headquarters, and a flag of truce being up had an opportunity to see the lines. We are almost on top of them in front of Wheeler, being about 800 yards to them, but the country is rough, all covered by their fire. The country all the way is the roughest I ever saw. You have to follow roads, or trails, and come under heavy fire, their position commanding every approach. The work done by these troops since landing, their heroism and patience under discomforts, heat and rain, calls for the highest praise, and the work accomplished by Shafter, his pertinacity and 'go-ahead-iveness' under adverse circumstances and discomforts, is a revelation to me. I doubt if there is another officer who would have 'gotten there' as he did. Our loss was most unfortunate, but from character of country could not have been avoided if we had to get there." Last night the Eighth Ohio were almost drowned out, and it pours today. That's the climate, and to get out of it would be cheaper to lose more by fighting and success than by sickness, which is sure to come by staying. We have about 30 cases of yellow fever and many of malaria, but the men are cheerful. General Duffield and Captain Wilcox have yellow fever—they say a mild form—from sleeping in infected buildings, which are now to be burned. Miss Clara Barton and Mrs. Addison Porter rode to the front yesterday in an army wagon over rough roads and raining. They are unselfish women. Too much credit cannot be given to the heroism, pertinacity, pluck, patience and endurance of the men who have borne the brunt of this work."

PRAISE FROM SHAFTER. Victorious Commander Lands His Men For Their Work at Santiago. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 25.—Following is Major General Shafter's latest order, just published:

"The successful accomplishment of the campaign against Santiago, resulting in its downfall and the surrender of the Spanish forces and the capture of large amounts of military stores, together with the destruction of the entire Spanish fleet in the harbor, which upon the investment of the city was forced to leave, is one of which this army can well be proud. This has been accomplished through the heroic deeds of the army, and to its officers and men the major general commanding offers his sincere thanks for their endurance of hardships heretofore unknown in the American army. The work you have accomplished may well appeal to the pride of your countrymen and has been rivaled upon but few occasions in the world's history. Landing upon an unknown coast, you faced dangers in disembarking and overcame obstacles that even in looking back seem insurmountable. "Seizing with the assistance of the navy the towns of Baiquiri and Siboney, you pushed boldly forth, gallantly driving back the enemy's outposts in the engagement of La Quasina and completed the concentration of the enemy near Sevilla within sight of the Spanish stronghold at Santiago de Cuba. The outlook from Sevilla was one that might well have appalled the stoutest heart. Behind you ran a narrow road, made well high impassable by rains

while to the front you looked out upon high foothills covered with a dense tropical growth, which could only be traversed by bridge paths terminating within in the range of the enemy's guns.

"Nothing deterred, you responded eagerly to the order to close upon the foe and, attacking at Caney and San Juan, drove him from work to work until he took refuge within his last and strongest intrenchments immediately surrounding the city.

"Despite the fierce glare of a southern sun and rains that fell in torrents you valiantly withstood his attempt to drive you from the position your valor had won. Holding in your viselike grip the army opposed to you, after 17 days of battle and siege you were rewarded by the surrender of nearly 24,000 prisoners, 12,000 being those in your immediate front, the others scattered in the various towns of eastern Cuba, freeing completely the eastern part of the island from Spanish troops.

"This was not done without great sacrifices. The death of 230 gallant soldiers and the wounding of 1,284 others shows but too plainly the fierce contest in which you were engaged. The few reported missing are undoubtedly among the dead, as no prisoners were lost.

"For those who have fallen in battle with you the commanding general sorrow and with you will ever cherish their memory. Their devotion to duty sets a high example of courage and patriotism to our fellow countrymen. All who have participated in the campaign, battle and siege of Santiago de Cuba, will recall with pride the grand deeds accomplished and will hold one another dear for having shared great sufferings, hardships and triumphs together. All may well feel proud to inscribe on their banners the name of Santiago de Cuba."

ALL GIVING UP.

Guantanamo, San Luis and Palma Soriano Have Surrendered.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The war department at midnight last night posted the following dispatch from General Shafter:

"Lieutenant Miles has returned from San Luis and Palma Soriano, where he went four days ago to receive the surrender of Spanish troops. The number surrendered was larger than General Toral reported—3,005 Spanish troops and 350 volunteer guerrillas. Volunteers gave up their arms and gave parole and have gone to work. Three thousand stands of arms were turned in, loaded on ox carts and started to the railroad. Spanish troops accompanied him to San Luis and all apparently greatly delighted at the prospect of returning home. They were on the verge of starvation, and I have to send them rations tomorrow. If the numbers keep up as they have, there will be about 24,000 to ship away—nearly 12,000 here, 3,000 from San Luis, 6,000 from Guantanamo and over 2,000 at Sagua and Baracoa."

The following dispatch, dated Santiago de Cuba, July 24, has been received: "Colonel Angel Rosill arrived here yesterday from General Pareja, military governor of Guantanamo, to ascertain from General Toral if the report of the capitulation was true.

"As the result of General Toral's answer the 6,000 Spanish troops at Guantanamo will surrender tomorrow and lay down their arms.

"This afternoon Lieutenant Miles of General Shafter's staff returned from Palma, Soriano and San Luis, where he received the surrender and the arms of 2,465 men, of whom 3,005 are Spanish soldiers to be deported. At first they refused to credit the statement that Santiago had surrendered, but the presence of a Spanish officer, who accompanied Lieutenant Miles, finally convinced them, and then they displayed great delight at the prospect of returning to Spain.

"All the surrendered troops are suffering from disease and starvation, and General Shafter has instructed the immediate forwarding of rations and relief. He has informed the Spanish officers that their families will be given transportation to Spain with food at the expense of the government and that the maintenance of the men is provided for by contract."

Gomez Trusts McKinley. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 25.—Lieutenant Charles Fritol of the Cuban army, who was a member of the Cuban expedition on the steamer Florida and who recently returned from Cuba, stated that the Florida expedition was met by General Gomez. He had a personal talk with the general, in the course of which Gomez said, when asked what message he had for the American people: "I have to say that the only man that has anything to say in the direction of matters is Mr. McKinley, and we shall do whatever he says. I have given instructions to all my forces to co-operate with the Americans, to whom we are much indebted."

Stopped by Invading Squadron. ST. THOMAS, Danish West Indies, July 25.—The German steamer Croatia, which arrived here yesterday, reports that she was fired on three times Saturday night about eight miles from San Juan, Porto Rico, by a ship, said to form part of the American invading squadron. The Croatia was boarded by an officer understood to be from the United States cruiser New Orleans. She was allowed to proceed to St. Thomas. The Croatia had no intention of entering San Juan.

No Yellow Fever at Tampa. WASHINGTON, July 25.—Owing to persistent reports that there was yellow fever at Tampa, notwithstanding denials by the Florida state officials, Dr. Brunner, the yellow fever specialist who represented the Marine hospital service at Havana until the outbreak of the war, was directed to make an investigation. He reports that after a close inspection of Tampa it can be stated there is not a case of yellow fever there.

PROSPECTS OF PEACE

Duke Almodovar de Rio in Diplomatic Exploration.

CARLOS STARTS FOR SWITZERLAND

Less Fear, However, of a Carlist or Republican Outbreak - Spaniards Would Prefer American to Cuban Supremacy.

LONDON, July 25.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times says:

"Peace prospects have greatly improved during the last 48 hours. The diplomatic exploration of Duke Almodovar de Rio, the foreign minister, has been more practical than was supposed, and it is now tolerably certain that the government's efforts are entering a new phase, which may gradually lead to tangible results."

"The precise nature of the change is a secret, but there is little doubt that it tends to direct negotiations between Spain and the United States, there being no inclination to seek the mediation of any neutral power. The moment has arrived when America, having reached the parting of the ways, must choose between war with a specific object and an indefinite war of conquest."

"The present pause in hostilities is held to prove that the United States is reluctant to plunge into a wider sphere of action, and it may be confidently predicted that if direct negotiations are opened without delay both countries will find their views on the main point—the future of Cuba—far from irreconcilable."

"The growing dissensions between the Cuban insurgents and the American authorities are noted here with great satisfaction, and on all sides I hear it said, 'If we must lose Cuba, it is better that the islands should be annexed by America, because the traitors would thereby be punished and the enormous Spanish interests in the island would be protected.'"

"The French embassy at Washington seems the most likely channel for opening negotiations, and the semi-official statement that America intends to retain Porto Rico is regarded here as a hint to Spain to hurry up."

"There is still much talk about Carlist intrigues and preparations, but the government, though vigilant and ready to act energetically if necessary, seems to think that at present there is no serious danger. The danger of Republican movements is still less. Senor Emilio Castelar has just rendered a service to the cause of order by publishing a long letter in which he impresses upon all good Spaniards the necessity of sinking party differences and remaining firmly united at the present critical moment."

"Patriotism, like the church," says Senor Castelar, "imposes unity on us, and if unity does not exist let us be silent upon the subject." The project of presenting him with an address of confidence signed by 100,000 of his admiring fellow citizens has been indefinitely postponed."

Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, according to a dispatch from Brussels to The Daily Mail, has hurriedly started for Switzerland.

A dispatch to the Central News from Havana says that the insurgents have captured the town of Gibara, on the north coast of Santiago province. The Spaniards made a heroic defense, but were finally compelled to evacuate the place. Six Spaniards were killed and 12 wounded. Many Cubans were killed.

The dispatch adds that the Americans have landed at Taibacoa, where, in combination with the insurgents, they destroyed Fort Espana.

The insurgents attacked Tinajas, but were repulsed.

The Americans are occupying a strong position at Tunas.

Miss Schley Goes to Madrid.

MADRID, July 25, via Paris.—The chiefs of the Carlist organization are leaving Spain.

Miss Jessie Schley, delegate from the Peace society of Paris, has arrived in Madrid with the intention, it is asserted, of interviewing members of the cabinet with a "humanitarian object."

Miss Jessie Schley, referred to in the foregoing dispatch, is the daughter of Charles Schley of Milwaukee, who is a cousin of Commodore Schley. She is a member of the Daughters of the Revolution. It was announced from Paris last week that she was about to start for Madrid to see the queen regent and Senor Sagasta with a view of bringing about peace, and then to proceed to Washington to visit President McKinley in the same interest.

Last Friday the Milwaukee Sentinel announced that Miss Schley's father, on learning of his daughter's intention, had instructed her to return home immediately, disavowing her course and excusing it as the result of a warm, sympathetic nature and a special enthusiasm for philanthropic and peace movements.

Camara's Fleet at Cartagena.

GIBRALTAR, July 25.—Admiral Camara's fleet is said now to be at Cartagena.

A French squadron is reported to be cruising between the Canary islands and the Cadiz coast.

The British battleship Illustrious will sail from Gibraltar for Tangier tomorrow, supposedly to represent England at the gathering of warships caused by the expected coming of the American squadron under Commodore Watson.

Admiral Camara is going to Ceuta after repairing the Pelayo's engines, which broke down before reaching Cartagena. Ceuta will be the Spanish base of operations.

Germans Want Indemnity.

LONDON, July 25.—A dispatch to The Daily News from Berlin says that the German firms in Manila have petitioned their home government to intervene at Washington to secure indemnity for the losses they have sustained through the war. These firms, with the English houses in Manila, intended at first to jointly petition London and Berlin, but the English traders received a hint not to proceed in the matter. Lord Salisbury having communicated with Washington regarding indemnity and received a favorable reply.

Bryan's Headquarters Completed. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 25.—Major Russell Harrison has just received information from the Rock Island ar-

enal that the Seventh army corps will receive precedence in equipment at once. Colonel Bryan has just completed his regimental headquarters at Panama park, two miles from Jacksonville, and he is well pleased with his location.

Dewey About to Attack Manila.

LONDON, July 25.—A special dispatch from Madrid says that General Augusti, captain general of the Philippines, has telegraphed to the government as follows: "The Americans are about to attack Manila. Grave events are impending."

Disinfecting the Harvard.

NEW YORK, July 25.—The work of disinfecting the United States auxiliary cruiser Harvard has been begun. The disinfection and cleansing of the cruiser will take probably three days to complete.

Landing Gaze at Algiers.

GIBRALTAR, July 25.—The Spanish transport Valdes arrived yesterday at Algieras and landed guns and war material.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At Chicago—Chicago 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 1—3
Cleveland 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 4—2
Hits—Chicago, 5; Cleveland, 15. Errors—Chicago, 4; Cleveland, 6. Batteries—Callahan and Chance; Powell and Criger.

At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0 0 1 0 3 0 2 0—6
Pittsburgh 0 0 4 0 0 0 1 0—5
Hits—Cincinnati, 7; Pittsburgh, 7. Errors—Cincinnati, 3; Pittsburgh, 1. Batteries—Damman, Breitenstein and Peltz; Rhines and Schriver.

At Louisville—Louisville 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1
St. Louis 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1
Hits—Louisville, 3; St. Louis, 7. Errors—Louisville, 0; St. Louis, 2. Batteries—Hughey and Sugden; Magee and Kittredge.

Table of Percentages.

	W.	L.	P. C.
Cincinnati	57	28	.670
Boston	53	29	.646
Cleveland	51	31	.622
Baltimore	47	32	.595
New York	44	37	.543
Chicago	46	40	.535
Pittsburgh	43	39	.518
Philadelphia	37	41	.474
Brooklyn	32	47	.405
Washington	30	51	.370
Louisville	29	55	.345
St. Louis	24	62	.279

TO RAISE THE COLON.

Secretary Long Thinks Hobson's Plan Will Be Successful.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Lieutenant Hobson came over from New York Sunday night and had a long conference yesterday with Secretary Allen, Captain Bradford and several other officers of the navy department regarding the raising of the Spanish cruiser Cristobal Colon. The lieutenant succeeded while in New York in arranging with the Merritt & Chapman Wrecking company for the execution of the plans he had prepared for saving the vessel. The wreckers have promised to get together the pontoons, air bags and compressed air apparatus which will be required to lift and right the vessel and expect to start this material for Santiago from New York on a fast vessel within three days. Lieutenant Hobson is confident that if the work can be undertaken before a cyclone sets in it will result successfully.

Secretary Long said yesterday that the lieutenant's plan for raising the Colon seemed entirely feasible to him. The proposed plan involves methods and appliances outside of those usually employed in wrecking. They necessitate the use of air appliances of various kinds in righting and raising the ship that rarely if ever before have been used on vessels of the size and weight of the Colon, and although there is some doubt of its success the navy department officials think the prize well worth the experiment. Lieutenant Hobson returned to New York yesterday afternoon and will go to Santiago to supervise the wrecking work.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The car barn of the Consolidated Traction company at Pittsburgh was completely gutted by fire yesterday, entailing a loss of about \$175,000, well covered by insurance.

Miss Susan E. Crawford of Armstrong, B. C., was struck and instantly killed by a cable car yesterday in Chicago. Miss Crawford was well known in New York, as well as in Canada.

The Brainerd Milling Machine company of Hyde Park, Mass., suffered a loss of \$30,000 to its building and machinery by fire yesterday afternoon, the rear of the main building being practically destroyed. One hundred employees are thrown out of employment.

Two men in an excursion party at Shohola Glen, near Middletown, N. Y., while walking along the track of the Erie railroad yesterday, were run over and killed by an engine attached to the second division of the excursion train. There was nothing found on the bodies by which they could be identified.

Another Accident at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, July 25.—One man was killed and several injured yesterday while at work on a sewer near Edgewater park. The men were in the sewer trench when the trestle fell on which the car that hauls away the dirt is run. The car was precipitated to a platform covering the sewer. Adam Hausman, aged 46, was crushed to death beneath the timbers. The following were badly injured: Thomas Harizer, aged 46, inspector, thigh broken; Frank Sprungel, aged 35, nose broken and badly cut about the head and body; Paul Erchall, aged 31, cut in the head and body bruised; Frank Robinson, aged 32, and Frank Soczynski, aged 30, badly cut and bruised about the body.

Earthquakes in Chile.

VAIPARAI, July 25.—A violent shock of earthquake lasting a minute was felt Saturday night at Concepcion, capital of the Chilean province of that name, and at Talcahuano, on the bay of Concepcion and eight miles distant from Concepcion city. Many houses were destroyed, and the telegraph and electric light wires were severed. The inhabitants were terrified and fled from their homes, spending the night in the open. Another severe shock was experienced yesterday.

Spanish Gunboats Off Portuguese Coast. LONDON, July 25.—Lloyd's agent reports that two Spanish gunboats have entered the harbor of Figueras, at the mouth of the Mondego, Portugal.

A CUBAN PETITION.

Insurgents Have Taken Up the Administration, but They Want Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 25.—The document which is being circulated for signatures among Cuban residents in Santiago, addressed to the president of the United States, thanking him for the co-operation of the army of the United States and expressing the hope that the American government will recognize Cuban sovereignty in the surrendered portion of the province of Santiago de Cuba, was drafted by Arms, the newspaper correspondent on the staff of the Cuban General Castillo, who drafted the alleged letter of protest from General Garcia to General Shafter.

The following is the text of the document:

"The undersigned, Cubans by birth, landowners and residents of Santiago de Cuba, representing, with their families, the noncombatant population that suffered many years from Spanish rule in this section of the island, wish to express their warmest thanks to the people of the United States for delivering them from its insufferable yoke."

"They wish also to express their absolute confidence in the good faith and humanitarian purposes of the United States and in the pledge that the territory of Cuba is not to be conquered by the American troops for purposes of annexation. We believe and we urge that our own people are capable of fulfilling the international obligation to establish a government for the island. Cuba in the course of a few years may become part of the territory of the United States, thus increasing the comfort and happiness of this people, but now all desire a government of our own, as compensation for the sufferings and heroism of our army, and the definite establishment of the Cuban republic with Cuban authorities in accordance with the resolutions of the United States congress."

"We hope that the present state of affairs at Santiago, where Spaniards are still the administrators of our interests, property and fate, will be brief; that the city will soon be turned over to the Cubans and that our army may enter, the flag of Cuba waving triumphantly beside the American flag, as Cuban soldiers fought side by side with the Americans against the common enemy."

At Newport News.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., July 25.—The Third Illinois regiment arrived here yesterday afternoon in three special trains from Camp Thomas, the first train bringing General Haines, and the Second battalion, in command of Major Shand, came in at 12:55 and was followed at 1:10 by the first battalion, in command of Major Jackson, and at 2:55 by the Third battalion, in command of Major Coughy. There were 1,234 men in all.

At 3:50 p. m. Troops A and C, New York volunteer cavalry, arrived and joined the Illinois troops in camp. They brought 166 men. Captain Clayton is in command of Troop A and Lieutenant Couderc of Troop C.

The men are camped north of the city on the banks of the James river. They will embark tomorrow on one of the transports for Porto Rico.

The work of loading supplies on the Massachusetts and Roumania was in progress all Saturday night and yesterday, but an enormous quantity is still in the cars and on the piers.

Three troops of the Pennsylvania volunteer cavalry—City troop of Philadelphia, Governor's troop of Harrisburg, and Sheridan's troop of Tyrone—arrived here about 9 p. m. last night. The Fourth Ohio came in after midnight, and the Fourth Pennsylvania will arrive this morning.

The Sick at Santiago.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—A dispatch received last night by Adjutant General Corbin says that 396 new cases of fever of all classes were reported in the camps before Santiago Saturday. As the same dispatch reports only four deaths and none of them from yellow fever from among the hundreds of cases of fever known to exist in the camps, the war authorities are more than ever inclined to the belief that the cases of yellow fever are of mild type. Previous dispatches from General Shafter and the medical officers of his corps have indicated the existence in the camp of a very large number of cases of malarial and dengue fever, the latter being peculiar to the Cuban climate. Some clear cases of yellow fever are reported, but the officials say they are few as compared with those of other fevers.

General Shafter's dispatch was made public by Adjutant General Corbin as follows:

"Number of new cases of fever of all classes: yesterday (July 23), approximately 396. Deaths not previously reported—Private Daniel A. Stone, Company D, First Illinois Infantry, typhoid fever, July 20; Sergeant J. Blair, regimental quartermaster, Twelfth Infantry, died July 22 of dengue fever and asthma, and on July 23, malarial fever, Privates William Peacock and Garret Learnschock, both of Company E, Second Infantry."

Conditions at Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 25.—General Shafter's refusal to permit the entrance of armed Cubans into Santiago is an extremely wise measure, as in these exciting days there might be trouble. Unarmed persons, however, are free to enter at all times.

As soon as the Spanish soldiers have embarked Cubans will be allowed to enter the city freely.

The first embarkation is expected next Thursday, in accordance with a contract made between the United States and the Spanish Transatlantic company. The United States transport Santiago has left for Newport News with sick and wounded.

The steamer Jamaica has arrived with passengers from Jamaica and proceeded to Guantanamo with provisions for the United States fleet.

The Spaniards have turned over their cavalry horses. Only 143 were surrendered. The others had been killed for food for the army.

The postoffice here was opened Saturday, 200 boxes of mail of the steamer Lampanas, brought by the Comal, being distributed by Louis Kemper, the postmaster.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

WE ARE ASSERTING IN THE COURTS OUR RIGHT TO THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE WORD "CASTORIA," AND "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," AS OUR TRADE MARK.

I, DR. SAMUEL PITCHER, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "CASTORIA," the same that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* wrapper. This is the original "CASTORIA" which has been used in the homes of the Mothers of America for over thirty years.

LOOK CAREFULLY at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought and has the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company, of which Chas. H. Fletcher is President. March 24, 1898.

Samuel Pitcher M. D.

Do Not Be Deceived.

Do not endanger the life of your child by accepting a cheap substitute which some druggist may offer you (because he makes a few more pennies on it), the ingredients of which even he does not know.

"The Kind You Have Always Bought" BEARS THE SIGNATURE OF

Chas. H. Fletcher

Insist on Having The Kind That Never Failed You.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 17 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

Hand-Made Single Harness! \$10.00. SINGLE STRAP OR FOLDED.

Leather Fly nets 85c up

Repairing promptly done

JOHN T. OGDEN & SON, 40 W. Main St.

TOMPKINS' New Dry Goods Store, 35 North St. GREAT MID-SUMMER CLOSING OUT SALE.

The greatest money saving movement that this store has ever known.

We make each season take care of itself here, and all goods of a summery nature must go now. We don't wait until after the season is over, but give you these cut prices on hot weather goods, right in the middle of hot weather.

It would be impossible to enumerate all the special values ready for you here, but the few items which find mention are but samples of the many other goods which we propose to cut in price in like proportion.



A WRAPPER BARGAIN.

July 100 in this lot. Former price 9c each. Made in the latest style of good cambric, broad trimmed. Closing out sale price 5c each.

LADIES' SILK TIES.

White, pink and navy. Former price 25c. Mid-summer closing sales price 12 1/2c each.

SILK STRING TIES.

5c each.

MEN'S 25c TIE TIES.

5c each.

MEN'S GAUZE SUMMER UNDERWEAR.

25c quality at Tompkins' 10c each.

MEN'S Fine Balbriggan Underwear.

Made of fine Egyptian yarn. At Tompkins' 40c each.

LADIES' RIBBED VESTS.

35c quality 5c, 15c quality 8c, 12 1/2c quality 10c, 15c quality 12 1/2c.

CHILD'S GAUZE VESTS.

size 16 to 20, worth 25c to 30c each; at sale 15c each.

A WORD TO THE MEN.

You pay the bills. Do you know the difference between credit house prices and our cash prices? It's not necessary to tell you that you can buy cheaper for cash. It may surprise you to learn that it is often 33 per cent. and hardly ever less than 20.

MILLINERY.

Closing out of all Trimmed Hats at just half price. You will find the regular prices marked on each hat. Buy them at this clearing sale for just half the price. All styles marked at closing prices for this week.

COTTON DRESS FABRICS.

JACONET.—This week we will put on sale about 500 yards of 30 and thirty six inch Jaconet, in a large variety of this season's designs and colorings, and a good assortment of patterns. In addition, we shall offer 30 pieces of pretty Organdy and Lawn, 22 inches wide. Made to sell for 10c a yard. Your choice of this entire lot at our clearing sale of summer goods 4c per yard.

FIGURE.

The popular fabric for skirts and suits. One lot of ten pieces of white around the figure or pin stripe, worth 15 to 20c. Closing out sales price, per yard, 10c.

NEW ORGANDIES AND DIMITIES.

15 and 18c quality. None must be carried over. All must go at this clearing sale, hence price is marked 10c per yard.

IT WAS A CONDITION.

not a theory, that confronted the man, who, finding his blanket too short for comfort cut a yard from one end and sewed it to the other. Some merchants cut quality to meet price. The secret of our success—that which has made us the LEADER OF THE RETAIL DRY GOODS TRADE IN THIS CITY—is the inviolable rule to buy the best goods in any particular line that we handle.

HAMMOCKS at closing out prices.

ONE DOZEN HAMMOCKS, with pillow, regular \$1. At sale 50c each.

ONE DOZEN HAMMOCKS, with pillow and wide heavy fringe, were \$2. Closing out price \$1.50 each.

SCRIM FOR CURTAINS 1/2c per yard.

A WORD TO WOMEN.—It's harder to have things changed, you say. But in it worth 25c per cent? It seldom costs you less than that, almost always more. Very seldom 50 per cent. Get your husband to figure up what this means on your purchases for a year.

REMNANTS OF SILKS in different lengths.

Ends of the past season, many in shirt waist lengths. In fancy checks and plaids. Because they are remnants they must go and they are marked 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.25, 3.50, 3.75, 4.00, 4.25, 4.50, 4.75, 5.00, 5.25, 5.50, 5.75, 6.00, 6.25, 6.50, 6.75, 7.00, 7.25, 7.50, 7.75, 8.00, 8.25, 8.50, 8.75, 9.00, 9.25, 9.50, 9.75, 10.00, 10.25, 10.50, 10.75, 11.00, 11.25, 11.50, 11.75, 12.00, 12.25, 12.50, 12.75, 13.00, 13.25, 13.50, 13.75, 14.00, 14.25, 14.50, 14.75, 15.00, 15.25, 15.50, 15.75, 16.00, 16.25, 16.50, 16.75, 17.00, 17.25, 17.50, 17.75, 18.00, 18.25, 18.50, 18.75, 19.00, 19.25, 19.50, 19.75, 20.00, 20.25, 20.50, 20.75, 21.00, 21.25, 21.50, 21.75, 22.00, 22.25, 22.50, 22.75, 23.00, 23.25, 23.50, 23.75, 24.00, 24.25, 24.50, 24.75, 25.00, 25.25, 25.50, 25.75, 26.00, 26.25, 26.50, 26.75, 27.00, 27.25, 27.50, 27.75, 28.00, 28.25, 28.50, 28.75, 29.00, 29.25, 29.50, 29.75, 30.00, 30.25, 30.50, 30.75, 31.00, 31.25, 31.50, 31.75, 32.00, 32.25, 32.50, 32.75, 33.00, 33.25, 33.50, 33.75, 34.00, 34.25, 34.50, 34.75, 35.00, 35.25, 35.50, 35.75, 36.00, 36.25, 36.50, 36.75, 37.00, 37.25, 37.50, 37.75, 38.00, 38.25, 38.50, 38.75, 39.00, 39.25, 39.50, 39.75, 40.00, 40.25, 40.50, 40.75, 41.00, 41.25, 41.50, 41.75, 42.00, 42.25, 42.50, 42.75, 43.00, 43.25, 43.50, 43.75, 44.00, 44.25, 44.50, 44.75, 45.00, 45.25, 45.50, 45.75, 46.00, 46.25, 46.50, 46.75, 47.00, 47.25, 47.50, 47.75, 48.00, 48.25, 48.50, 48.75, 49.00, 49.25, 49.50, 49.75, 50.00, 50.25, 50.50, 50.75, 51.00, 51.25, 51.50, 51.75, 52.00, 52.25, 52.50, 52.75, 53.00, 53.25, 53.50, 53.75, 54.00, 54.25, 54.50, 54.75, 55.00, 55.25, 55.50, 55.75, 56.00, 56.25, 56.50, 56.75, 57.00, 57.25, 57.50, 57.75, 58.00, 58.25, 58.50, 58.75, 59.00, 59.25, 59.50, 59.75, 60.00, 60.25, 60.50, 60.75, 61.00, 61.25, 61.50, 61.75, 62.00, 62.25, 62.50, 62.75, 63.00, 63.25, 63.50, 63.75, 64.00, 64.25, 64.50, 64.75, 65.00, 65.25, 65.50, 65.75, 66.00, 66.25, 66.50, 66.75, 67.00, 67.25, 67.50, 67.75, 68.00, 68.25, 68.50, 68.75, 69.00, 69.25, 69.50, 69.75, 70.00, 70.25, 70.50, 70.75, 71.00, 71.25, 71.50, 71.75, 72.00, 72.25, 72.50, 72.75, 73.00, 73.25, 73.50, 73.75, 74.00, 74.25, 74.50, 74.75, 75.00, 75.25, 75.50, 75.75, 76.00, 76.25, 76.50, 76.75, 77.00, 77.25, 77.50, 77.75, 78.00, 78.25, 78.50, 78.75, 79.00, 79.25,

SOME OF WART'S BLESSINGS.

George H. Decker's Address at the Minuteman Valley Historical Society's Picnic.

The Port Jervis Union, in its account of the picnic of the Minuteman Valley Historical Society at Cuddebackville, Friday, the anniversary of the battle of Minutemen, refers to the address of George H. Decker, of this city, as eloquent and impassioned, and publishes the following extract from it:

"In your appointed task of gathering up local records you contribute to the history of a country which has made for the advancement of civilization and of human rights. The beneficent influence of American ideas has extended beyond our own borders. By the struggle of 1776 England lost the brightest jewel in her colonial crown, but she also gained much. It was impossible for another George III to ascend the English throne, and England learned the true policy in the treatment of her colonies, which has enabled her to build up a colonial empire on which the sun never sets and the drum beat of which is heard around the world.

"At Appomattox there was another extension of human freedom, and the atmosphere of the world became too pure for a slave to breathe.

"Spain has refused to accept the blessing. Her touch, like the touch of leprosy, is on that beautiful suffering island. Wherever Spanish influence has extended blight and ruin have followed. Why have we been plunged in the strife with Spain? It is the obligation which rests upon us as the champion of human rights and liberty. In that cause our soldiers and sailors have done deeds which will make them illustrious in history. They are the bravest and noblest who fight under any flag in the world.

"A grander spectacle than this nation's intervention in behalf of a suffering and oppressed people human history does not exhibit. You ask me when the war will cease. I answer not until Spanish misrule has been pushed into reform, by Almighty God through American fire and the fruits of peace will go to supplement our national glory and will be a blessing to Spain herself."

"Mr. Decker concluded with a beautiful description of a scene at Luzerne Lake, Switzerland, in the midst of which is a natural monument, upon which are inscribed the words: 'This monument has waited 6,000 years for a name worthy to be inscribed upon it, the name of Schiller.' 'In like manner,' said the speaker, 'this continent has waited 6,000 years for liberty to erect her throne and build her temple upon it.'

O. AND W. CONDUCTORS' CLAM BAKE

Very Low Rates of Fare and Many Attractions Insure a Large Attendance.

The Ontario and Western conductors' clam bake will be held this year in Lennox & Shaffer's Park, Liberty, N. Y., on Thursday, August 18th. The Ontario and Western will issue tickets to Liberty and return on that date at greatly reduced rates, and this promise to be one of the greatest events of the year. Special trains will also be run between Middletown and Liberty and Sidney and Liberty. The popularity of the O. and W. conductors and their clam bakes has always attracted large crowds, and this year, it is anticipated, on account of the varied attractions and amusements, to say nothing of the monster bake, will far exceed the success and popularity already attained. Make up your mind to attend the clam bake, and thus insure yourself a most enjoyable time.

THE DECKERTOWN CLAM BAKE.

Capt. Totten's Skill as a Baker of Clams Fittingly Eulogized in Big Type.

Four committeemen from the Junior Order of American Mechanics, of Deckertown, were in this city, yesterday. They called upon Capt. Totten who is to prepare their bake August 10, and left an order for 20,000 clams. They left some large bills on which the Captain is billed as prominently as any scoundrel married to a theatrical printer. One of these bills says:

"Capt. Totten, the veteran clam baker, famed throughout the eastern states as a connoisseur in the art of preparing the toothsome clam, in the traditional Rhode Island style, with all accompanying edibles, will conduct the bake. The captain has no superior."

Capt. Krom's Adventurous Career.

From the Port Jervis Union.

A character of much interest at the Historical Society's picnic was Captain Andrew Krom, who lived in Cuddebackville when a boy fifty-six years ago, and who, after an adventurous career as a traveler, sailor and soldier, during which time he served under Walker in the famous filibustering expedition against Nicaragua, in the Union army, under Diaz in Mexico, and who has a varied experience as an appraiser in all the mining camps of the United States, has purchased Overlook Farm in the town of Bloomingburgh, Sullivan county and is now living there.

Heavy Damages Paid by a Trolley Company.

The Paterson Railway Company having been defeated in an appeal, paid, Thursday, \$10,726.28 to the guardian of Robert Murray, a boy who had his leg crushed by one of its cars, two years ago. The company appealed from the verdict an excessive but the Supreme Court sustained it.

Orange County Soldiers' Reunion.

The executive committee of the Soldiers and Sailors Association of Orange county will meet at 40 West Main street, Saturday, July 30, to arrange for the fourth annual reunion to be held at Warwick, Aug. 18th, in the grove of Major Benedict, president of the association.

CASTORIA.

Short the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

THOS. H. HOULIHON DEAD.

Liberty's Well Known Hotel Keeper Dies After a Three Days' Illness.

"Tom" H. Houlihon, proprietor of the new Liberty House, Liberty, died about 5 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, from the effects of Bright's disease which confined him to his bed but three days.

The deceased was forty years of age, and for nearly twelve years, after going to Liberty from Kingston, where he was a barber, has been a successful hotel keeper. He purchased the old Liberty House from Uriah S. Macister, and about five years ago he built the fine new Liberty House on a site near the old hotel. It has been one of Liberty's most popular hotels, and was patronized by Middle-towners who knew "Tom." He was the soul of honor, a genial companion, a generous friend, and hence his success.

He leaves behind a wife and one daughter, aged about twelve years. A son was killed by a fall a few years ago.

THE WAYNE-ORANGE LEAGUE.

The Standing of the Clubs—Games Scheduled for This Month.

The game between Port Jervis and Goshen, played at the former place, Friday afternoon, was won by Port Jervis by the one-sided score of 11 to 2. The Goshen runs were scored in the seventh inning.

The standing of the clubs in the league championship contest is as follows:

Name	Won	Lost	Per cent
Honesdale	5	1	83.3
Port Jervis	2	2	50.0
Chester	1	3	25.0
Goshen	1	4	17.5

The league games scheduled for the rest of this month are: July 26—Port Jervis vs. Goshen, at Goshen; July 27—Port Jervis vs. Chester, at Chester; July 28—Honesdale vs. Port Jervis, at Port Jervis; July 29—Honesdale vs. Port Jervis, at Port Jervis; Goshen vs. Honesdale, at Goshen; July 30—Goshen vs. Chester, at Chester.

AN ACT OF HEROISM.

Gallant Rescue of Three Young Ladies Who Were Browning in White Lake.

Correspondence, Argus and Messenger.

The wonderful act of heroism performed by Charles Fredricks in saving the lives of three young ladies stopping at the West Shore house, White Lake, should not pass unnoticed. At the risk of his life he went out and saved the three, who were beyond their depth, having been thrown from an overturned boat. It was a grand action and worthy of good notice. One of the young ladies was the daughter of Frederick Warde, the tragedian and another was the young daughter of G. W. Silly, of the H. B. Claflin Co., New York.

A JOLLY CAMPING PARTY.

Young Men Who Will Spend Two Weeks at Twin Lakes.

A jolly party of young men of this city boarded the Erie milk train, this morning, carrying bundles and enough other traps to equip a regiment. In the party were Chris Klohs, Jr., Harry Lindsay, Robert Mauer, Noble Wood, Elmer Halstead, Robert Curran and F. W. Holden, of this city, and five young men joined them at Port Jervis. They were en route to a favorite camp at Twin Lakes, where they will spend a fortnight.

NOTICED THIS BEFORE.

You Probably Have, and May Have Spoken About It.

The reader of this newspaper, if he takes the time and trouble to look carefully through its columns, will probably find half a dozen statements tacked onto the foot of reading notices about medicinal preparations. Note this fact. In each and every case, as far as Middletown is concerned, as far as the reader's knowledge of the party is concerned, he might just as well live in the moon. Make another note of this. The only remedy on the market which gives testimony at home, local proof in every town and city in the union, to back up its claims, is Doan's Kidney Pills. They all try it, but they cannot do it. Why they are unable to do it can safely be left to the reader to draw his own conclusions. Here is Middletown proof for Middletown readers:

Mr. A. M. Ryerson, professional nurse, living at No. 7 Oak street, says: "I think Doan's Kidney Pills the most wonderful preparation ever compounded. For years I was troubled with kidney and urinary weakness, and about three years ago it developed into lumbago. When I rose in the morning my back was always lame. I had to assist myself when moving about by grasping hold of objects for at least an hour or so. When I had one of my bad spells, which generally lasted two days, I completely gave up. If I caught cold, it settled in my back. Often when lifting a patient my back would give out, and I could not walk for an hour afterwards for pain. I tried everything I read about for it, some relieved me for a short time, then back came the old complaint again. As a last resort I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. About the third dose I noticed an improvement and soon the pain left me. I can get up in the morning and move around as briskly as I please without feeling either an ache or pain. The urinary trouble is also corrected. I feel that I cannot praise Doan's Kidney Pills too much. I have recommended them to a number of people, and shall always do so."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cents per box, or six boxes for \$2.50; for sale by all dealers; sent by mail on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

OLD SHOES.

Mr. Staybolt Has a Word About Them and Other Things Old, Including Old Habits.

"As easy as an old shoe" is a familiar saying," said Mr. Staybolt, according to the New York Sun. "And there can be no doubt that an old shoe is a mighty comfortable thing. After we have worn the new shoes, close fitting, hard and formal, how gladly we put them off, and with what joy we put on the shoes that are old and worn and familiar to the feet! Old shoes, however, are not the only thing old that we like. We like an old bed, if it is not too old, but just old enough, so that while still soft and comfortable it is also shaped somewhat to the body, which it supports at every point, yielding a degree of comfort which not the finest of beds can afford when it is new.

"But it is so with all things old, that are not too old, including habits. We cling to them so long as they give us comfort, and we hate to change. We are creatures of habit, who would if we could follow to the end along the first comfortable rut we fall into, and never look out above its sides. And it is well for us that our shoes wear out, and that we have to buy new ones and wear them; that we are in various ways compelled to change; that we are rooted out now and then and set going anew.

"And some of us profit by this change. Once lifted out of the rut we stay up on the plain, where there is nothing to cramp us, and where we can lay about freely in any direction in accordance with our power, but more of us, I fancy, rather welcome the days when the shoes grow old again and yield without much struggling to the enticements of ease and comfort."

FIRST ELEPHANT IN AMERICA.

How Moses Smith's Eccentric Notion Made a Fortune for Another Man.

It is not generally known that a former citizen of Owensboro brought across the ocean the first elephant that was ever in America, says the Owensboro (Ky.) Inquirer. The name of the gentleman was Moses Smith, who at one time owned a vast body of land from the mouth of Panther creek up the river, embracing nearly all the present farms in the neighborhood of Sorgho.

Mr. Smith was at Paris with his brother and had "more money than he knew what to do with." He told his brother that he intended taking something to America that the people had never seen. "You had better buy an elephant," said the jocular brother and that was what Moses did. He picked out the biggest animal he could find and paid an enormous price for it. He brought it to New York, where it was a nine days' wonder, but the owner soon found that he had something worse than the proverbial white elephant on his hands. He tried to sell it, but could find no buyer and at last undertook to give it away, in which he was equally unsuccessful. Finally he found a man who agreed to pay him \$100 for it and this individual put it on exhibition. He was so successful that he went into the show business and made a fortune out of Mr. Smith's folly. Col. Frank McKernan, of Adrianville, is a grandson of Mr. Smith, who lived to a great age at his home in this country.

Swapping Telephones.

The following story comes from the Grand Rapids Press, and has to do with a man and a woman who are employed in different offices in one of the large buildings of that city. Each office has a telephone, but as it happens one is an instrument belonging to the Citizens' company, the other a Bell instrument. One day the man had occasion to use the Citizens' line, and stepped across the hall to the lady's office. "Have you a Citizens' phone?" he asked, and she replied in the affirmative. "Well," he ventured, "I'm a citizen. May I use it?" Why, of course he might use it; but inwardly she was inclined to envy his ability to stand up and assert his citizenship in this way, for some of her womanly propensities were of the "newish" sort. An hour later she balanced accounts with him. "Have you a Bell telephone?" she asked, on stepping into his office. He did not try to deny it. "Well, I'm a belle; may I use it?"

Can Afford to Have a Cow.

Just after President McKinley's inauguration he had his relatives who were in the city at a family dinner at the white house, says the Ladies' Home Journal in an illustrated anecdotal biography of the president. It was a large company, and a very good dinner. Dear old Mother McKinley was there, but she was not very talkative. She was too happy for words. But she kept a sharp eye on the dinner, and no detail of it escaped her. She was impressed by the quantity of cream served with the fruit and coffee, for she looked up at her son in her sweet way and said: "William, you must keep a cow now." Some of the younger members of the family party found it difficult to suppress a smile, but the president, with his usual tact and graciousness, replied: "Yes, mother, we can afford to have a cow now, and have all the cream we can possibly use."

Ancient Church Excavated.

At Soulae, in Gascony, a cross was discovered projecting above the sand. Further investigation showed that it was attached to a steeple, and later a well-preserved church of the thirteenth century was excavated. The church is now in use.

First Envelope.

The first envelope ever made is in the possession of the British museum.

MODES A LA 'ARMIET.

The Real "Loidies" Carry Cannon—Familiar Way of Bidding Used—By.

"Whit week," writes a correspondent of the London Telegraph, "usually sets the seal of adoption upon the fashions which will prevail in those classes to whom Southend is the favorite watering-place and Hempstead Heath the popular resort for Sunday afternoons. Watching them during the last few days, I have been unable to discover any striking developments in millinery or raiment, but there are two directions in which the feminine leaders of correct style in such circles now mark their own originality. One is by the carrying of a cane.

"Arriet now has her malacca or wangee tipped with a plated mount, or her cherry-wood crook, and swings it much more self-consciously than she would carry her more useful umbrella. The first time I saw a walking stick as an item in the full-dress attire of our less affluent citizenesses was last July at a 'beauty show' in Whitechapel, when an ebony crutch was carried by one of the fair competitors who secured a prize, but which was objected to by some of the defeated rivals as unfair, though distinctive. It has now evidently won its more general acceptance.

The other distinction lies in the manner of bidding farewell. Those in the 'smart sets' of these social ranks neither shake hands nor say 'good-by.' They extend an arm angularly, turn the hand and fingers downward, the palm being toward the body, and stiffly jerk the hand outward three times. It is especially effective through tram windows to friends waiting on the pavement.

"FIGHTING JIM'S" BREAKFAST

An Incident of the Civil War Recalled by Dewey's Coolness at Manila.

There was grim humor in Dewey when he stopped sinking the Spanish fleet in order that the boys might not miss their breakfast, as well as a wisdom that is too infrequently accepted by military leaders.

The admiral's coolness recalls an incident that took place in Mobile bay about a third of a century ago, says the Detroit Free Press. James E. Jouett, afterwards rear admiral, was then a lieutenant commander and in charge of one of the union vessels. He had an early morning unpleasantness with a confederate boat, commanded by Lieut. Murphy who had been Jouett's classmate at Annapolis, where they were warm friends before the war.

On discovering who his enemy was, Jouett immediately ordered a fine breakfast prepared and set doggedly about the task of having his old chum present as a guest. After some hot fighting he succeeded in capturing Murphy's boat. That gentleman went upon the deck where his captor stood ready to receive him, the defeated officer having one arm in a sling and using his free hand to make a formal surrender of his sword. Appearing not to notice this, Jouett laughingly chided his friend for keeping breakfast waiting and escorted him to the table.

Murphy was a hungry man and after he had eaten like a harvest hand, said: "Jouett, if you had only sent me word about this breakfast I would have surrendered an hour ago."

AMERICAN SHAMROCK.

Ireland's Beloved Flower Is Found Growing in Many Parts of the Union.

"Few people, comparatively speaking, are aware that the shamrock, Ireland's national emblem, grows in many parts of the United States," said Mr. Michael Cavanagh, of Boston, during a recent visit to Washington, says the Post.

"I was out walking in the northwest section of Washington the other day, and saw loads of shamrocks in one of the parks. It is ideally the same as that which flourishes on the soil of Erin. A good many people confuse the shamrock with clover, which it resembles considerably, but the shamrock can always be told from the other by its small, yellow blossoms, exactly like a strawberry bloom. This blossom puts forth five little yellow leaves. Now the blossom of the clover is either red or white, and it is larger and shaped differently.

"The shamrock has three leaves, which, in most instances, are perfect in their heart shape, though not always so, and it grows luxuriantly in limestone regions. The tradition that St. Patrick explained the mystery of the Trinity by the little flower is the common explanation of its adoption as Ireland's most cherished emblem."

Will She Be Pleased?

An attaché of the Chinese legation the other day in a photographer's shop was buying all the photographs of pretty girls that the proprietor was at liberty to sell, and he betrayed an especial fondness for young women in evening dress. The more generous the display of polished shoulder the better he intended doing with the photographs, says a writer in the Washington Post. "I shall send them to my wife in China," he said. "She has never been in America. She will be happy to see how the Washington young ladies look." And perhaps she will be, but I have my doubts.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—Threatening weather, with showers, to-night; partly cloudy and cooler, Tuesday; southerly winds becoming westerly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the reading of the thermometer at 7 a. m. today:
7 a. m. 71°; 12 m. 80°; 3 p. m. 82°.

The Internal Revenue Bureau has ruled that certificates of marriages, births and deaths filed under the law for the registration of vital statistics, are not subject to the ten cent stamp tax. Copies of such certificates for the use of private parties must, however, be stamped.

The suggestion made in the August that Hon. Thomas E. Benedict, of Ulster county, would make a strong and popular candidate for Governor has been most favorably received by the Democratic press of this section of the State and meets with the hearty endorsement of the rank and file of the Democratic party. Mr. Benedict is a man of tried ability and proven honesty. He has filled many public offices and has been true to every duty. He is of the stuff that will make an able, upright and courageous governor.

Although Gov. Black wants an early State convention it was decided, Sunday, at a conference of Republican leaders with Senator Platt at the Oriental Hotel, Coney Island, that it would be "good politics" to delay the convention until after that of the Democrats has been held. Waiting games in politics are always played by parties that feel they are on uncertain ground and the decision reached by the Republican leaders is practically an admission that they have a hard fight on hand and are anything but sanguine as to the result.

"Your candidate I cannot be," says Col. Bradley in response to Ben Odell's announcement that he wanted the Colonel nominated to succeed him as Representative in Congress from this district. Col. Bradley says that he is "so tied up with business affairs of absorbing detail" that he cannot think of accepting a nomination. In former years, when Col. Bradley has said that he "preferred making knives to making laws," no amount of pressure or persuasion could swerve him from his determination. Remembering this, the Republican managers know that he means what he now says and a quest for a new wearer of Odell's mantle has already begun.

Young Joe Leiter's awful mishap in wheat is being made subject of endless newspaper jibes. It is an old saying: "Nothing wins like success," and it is to be remarked that had young Joe won millions instead of losing millions in his colossal undertaking he would have been almost as popular a hero with those who are now having a "shy" at him as is Dewey or Schley. But young Joe has lost all his private fortune, \$3,000,000, and it follows that he is fair game for every ink-slur in the land. Such is the world. But how about Joe's father? Can no one say a good word for him,—for that high-minded old man who is stripping himself of the greater part of all his belongings to pay Joe's debts? Won't have his son's name dishonored and save \$7,000,000—the splendid old chap!

IN FRONT OF SANTIAGO.

A Letter From Fred Herland—Two Days of Fighting—Improved Stationery.
George T. Bryant received the following letter, today, from Fred H. Seeland, who is with H. Company, Eighth U. S. Infantry, First Brigade, Second Division, Fifth Army Corps. It was sent in a reversed envelope which had been once used, and the letter, which was written on the back of a tomato can's wrapper, was sewed in the envelope and endorsed by the chaplain "Soldier's letter."

OUTSKIRTS OF SANTIAGO, July 10, 1898.

My Dear Uncle—This is the best paper that I can find. We have been on the island ten days or so, but we did not fight until four days ago, and then the Eighth lost 25 men. In our company there were five injured. We have captured two towns. We fought from five in the morning until five at night, all of the time and a hot time at that. We are going to bombard Santiago in a day or so, but I suppose that the papers have it already taken. If I live through this I'll be very happy, you bet! This trip is a miracle. The Cubans are a queer lot. They go half, or nearly half, naked. I got a letter from Irene which was three weeks in reaching me. We get good food and quite a good deal of it."

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AN ARMSISTICE!

Spain Reported to Have Asked for One.

TERMS OF PEACE!

Will Be Discussed If It is Arranged.

Spain Wants an Armistice to Talk Over Terms of Peace.

LONDON, July 25.—Much importance because of the source from which it emanates, is attached to a Madrid dispatch, just received, which says that the Spanish government has drawn up a message addressed to the government at Washington proposing an armistice for the purpose of discussing terms on which peace may be arranged.

TO RAISE THE SPANISH CRUISERS

NEW YORK, July 25.—Hobson visited the office of the Merritt Wrecking Company, this morning, and completed arrangements for raising the Cristobal Colon and Maria Teresa. The work requires four more pontoons and it will be a fortnight before it can begin.

HOW PEACE MAY COME.

A High Spanish Official Tells of the Queen Regent's Plans—Will Treat Direct With the United States.

MADRID, July 25.—A correspondent of Associated Press has had an interesting conversation with a person occupying a high position in the Queen Regent's household and whose duties bring him daily into intimate relations with her majesty. He said the quarrel between Spain and the United States was much easier of adjustment than was generally believed.

The Queen Regent naturally endeavored to avoid war and naturally, also, desires an honorable peace. She is quite alive to the force of public opinion and holds strictly to the constitutional laws of the nation. It is an error to suppose the Queen Regent is under the pressure of the present or any government, or that she is regardless of public opinion.

The official referred to then added an important statement: The present government will not negotiate peace, but a modified cabinet, headed by Gamazo, will conclude the negotiations and then retire, and General Polavieja, with a combination including Senor Silva and Gen. Campos will reorganize the country. Everybody considers that Spain should treat directly with the Americans whose radical good sense will prevail over spread eaglesism.

MORE TROOPS FOR PORTO RICO

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The War Department has decided to send the First Florida, Second Georgia and Fifth Maryland regiments, now at Tampa, to Porto Rico.

CHATTANOOGA, July 25.—Four batteries of artillery left, yesterday, for Newport News; also the Twenty-seventh Indiana, Battery B, Pennsylvania Artillery, and Battery A, Missouri Artillery. Many officers of the Second Division, First Corps, say they don't expect to leave Camp Thomas for Porto Rico within a week or ten days. The Third Brigade, First Division, possibly may not leave before Wednesday. It will take the brigade until the next day to move out from Roseville, and this will delay other troops that are to go.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Major General Brooke, commanding the First Army Corps, will sail to-day to join Gen. Miles at Porto Rico.

The General will embark on the St. Louis and should arrive off Porto Rico Friday or Saturday. The St. Louis will be accompanied by the St. Paul on which will be the headquarters of Gen. Hains, and the remainder of the troops will embark at Hampton Roads as rapidly as possible, and it is expected that the last of them will be aboard ship by Wednesday.

BOB HUNTING'S TOO READY PISTOL

ROCHESTER, July 25.—Bob Hunting, manager and clown of Hunting Bros.' Circus, shot Thomas F. Leddy, leader of the band, in a dispute at Canandaigua, to-day.

The musicians claim their salaries are overdue, and Hunting averred that Leddy tried to induce the men to strike. The dispute led to blows, and Hunting drew a revolver and fired twice, one bullet grazing Leddy's shoulder and another passing through his abdomen. Both men were committed to jail to await the result of Leddy's injuries.

NO FRICTION BETWEEN SAMPSON AND SCHLEY.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Secretary Long says that Admiral Sampson's report, which will be published, Wednesday, shows no friction between Sampson and Schley.

You will not know how much good Hood's Sarsaparilla will do you until you try it. Buy a bottle to-day and begin to take it.

PRESBYTERY OF HUDSON.

Business Done at a Special Meeting in This City, To-day.
At the special meeting of Hudson Presbytery in this city, to-day, Rev. K. I. Diven's pastoral relations with the Otisville Church were terminated and he was dismissed to the North River Presbytery. Rev. James Coleman, of Goshen, will declare the Otisville pulpit vacant and the church was authorized to arrange for supplying the pulpit.
Rev. Wm. Youmans, Hon. Aug. Dennison and Rev. Charles Beattie were appointed a committee to make necessary arrangements for the installation of Rev. William Youmans at Washingtonville on Sept. 6.

DONE WITH A RIFLE.

The Head of an Indian Shot Out With One Hundred and Fifty-Two Bullets.

Adolph Toepferwein, San Antonio's marvellous young rifle shot, lately performed another of his astonishing feats, reports the Philadelphia Record. With a .22-caliber rifle he stood at a distance of 20 feet from a double thickness of heavy paper, about three feet long by two feet wide, and shot on it the outlines of an Indian's head. It took exactly 152 shots to do the trick. It was free-hand drawing, as the figure was not traced on the paper beforehand. This made the feat especially difficult, as "Tep" had to place every shot with reference to where its predecessor had gone, and where all the following shots were to go. In other words, he had to have every detail of the "drawing" planned out and constantly in his mind's eye while he was shooting. One shot fired a fraction of an inch wild would have spoiled the whole picture.

It is not clear whether or no this marksman is a member of Roosevelt's regiment of rough riders. If he isn't he ought to be.

Bicycles on a Gravestone.

There is no record that the bicycle has hitherto figured in sculptured work on memorial stones in graveyards, and, according to a London newspaper, a young widow of Rio de Janeiro may be accounted a pioneer in using its presentment for that purpose. She was introduced to her late husband while out wheeling, and ordered a sculptor to depict the meeting, bicycles and all, on the marble gravestone in alto relievo. The effect is described as more novel than artistic, especially as the lady is chided as attired in rational costume. In the inscription, which is in Spanish, is a sentence which may be translated: "My dear soul had the tire of his life prematurely punctured."

Satisfied Their Conscience.

Westerner—I did know one case where we lynched the wrong man, but we made it all right afterwards.

Tourist—How could you make it all right?

Westerner—We lynched the right man.—Puck.

Bridget.

Waggish Customer—Now, then, Bridget, hurry up.

Saucy Waitress—My name is not Bridget. Why do you think it was?

Waggish Customer—O, because of your arch ways.—Moonshine.

Knew by Experience.

Jonah—I tell you, if there is anything in a man the navy brings it out.

Bilson (sadly)—So I discovered in our first encounter with a heavy sea.—Town Topics.

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- Footbook lost.
- Shoes cheap at Joseph Teolo's.
- Furniture, carpets and crockery cheap at France & Hathaway's.
- "Albion" house to a pond at C. N. Proctor & Son's.
- Alteration sale prices at Morris B. Wolf's.
- Building and see a yard.
- Flat of evergreen to let.
- Change of artists at Cottage Theatre.
- Health restored by Dr. M. M. Norris.
- Calendars given with Fairy Soap.
- Constipation cured by Cascarets.
- For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—Charles Schwartz's West Main street market is being improved by a coat of paint.

—A reunion of the survivors of the 8th N. Y. Battery will be held at Walton, August 25th.

—M. H. Brown caught a bass at Highland Lake, Saturday afternoon, which weighed three and one-half pounds.

—The new Gamewell fire alarm system, which has just been erected in Norwich, has been formally accepted by the Board of Trustees.

—The fishing rod raffled by "Billy" Allison at Nate Mills' cigar store, on Saturday evening, was won by W. H. Louden with No. 43.

—The West Point cadets left camp, Friday morning, with rations for a two days' march among the mountains, in charge of tactical officers.

—A very large crowd of people attended the 24th band concert at Midway Park, Sunday night. The selections were finely rendered, and the band men received many compliments.

—The bicycle which J. L. Swezy found in front of the post office, Friday night, proved to belong to Dr. B. Pillsbury, who rode to the office for his mail and then walked away, forgetting the wheel.

PERSONAL.

—Officer Durham is taking his vacation, this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Wilson spent Sunday in Chester.

—Dr. Fred Kellogg is visiting his sister, Mrs. O. S. Fellows.

—Mr. and Mrs. Hart Davis went to Asbury Park, to-day.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crawford went to New York city, to-day.

—Miss Bessie Marsh, of New York city, is the guest of the Misses Powell.

—Mrs. Oliver Rice and son left, this morning, for a visit to Liberty and Jeffersonville.

—Arthur Sharpe, stenographer in the O. and W. freight office, was in town Saturday.

—Mrs. Clarence Wickham, of Port Jervis, arrived in this city, to-day, on a visit to relatives.

—Chas. G. Ogden went to the country near Bloomingburgh, to-day, for a week's visit.

—Miss Gee, who has been visiting at Theo. Reinecke's, returned to New York city, to-day.

—Miss Mary A. Donovan and Miss Lizzie Doyle, of Thompson Ridge, spent Sunday in Port Jervis.

—President McKiege and Secretary Brundage, of the Traction Company, were in this city, Sunday.

—Mrs. John P. Costello and children, who have been guests of Officer Durham, returned to New York city, to-day.

—C. R. Shannon, of Newark, N. J., is in this city on a few days' visit to his cousin, Geo. Shannon, of the art store.

—Miss Lila A. Stewart left, this afternoon, for Lake Placid, in the Adirondacks, where she is soon to give a kindness.

—The Misses Maggie and Ethel Curran, of Sprout street, left, to-day, for a visit at Kingston, Toronto and the Thousand Islands.

—Miss Schellenberg left this city for New York, Sunday. She will visit at Brooklyn, New Haven and Boston before returning.

—Paul Canfield, who has been spending a year abroad, sailed for home, Sunday, boarding the North German liner, Empress Louise at Southampton.

—Frank W. Newlands, of Brooklyn and his friend, Mr. Brown, of New York, who have been spending the past week in this city, returned home, to-day.

—Mrs. C. W. Resseguie and daughter, Gertrude, have returned from a visit with friends in Middletown, N. Y.—*Susquehanna Transcript.*

—Fred Rogers, formerly an operator in this city, has been appointed agent at Port Washington, L. I., for the Long Island Railroad Company.

—Miss Mullock, of Leadville, Col., who is the guest of Miss Marie Louise Gumaer, at Gynard, spent Sunday, at the residence of ex-Mayor Iseman.

—Mrs. W. H. Townsend accompanied her niece to the latter's home at Montour Falls. She will spend about two months there, and Mr. Townsend will join her there.

—Richard Knight was in this city, yesterday, on a short stay, from Stockport, Pa. He says that all the members of the family at their summer residence there are in excellent health and are enjoying themselves.

—James Conklin, of Middletown, is visiting his son, Charles Conklin, of this place. Mr. C. is 88 years of age, hale and hearty. (His father was 90 when he died, his mother 99, and he had an uncle 91. Mr. C. will return home the first of this week.—*Monroe Herald.*)

—George G. Otis, manager of the Orange County Telephone Company, and his wife, returned, Saturday evening, from a stay of a little over two weeks at Asbury Park. The outing did Mr. Otis a lot of good. During the first seven days of his stay there he gained eight pounds.

NO TROUBLE IN THE 24TH

CAPT. MCINTYRE DENIES A BASELESS RUMOR.

We Mrs. Not Resigned Nor Have First Sergeant Nickinson and Quartermaster Millsbaugh Been Reduced to the Rank—Nothing Known of Such Rumors at Camp Miller—Major Chase's Endorsement.

A telegram to Capt. McIntyre calling his attention to the publication in the Press and Times, of Saturday, of a rumor of his resignation and the reduction to the ranks of First Sergeant Nickinson and Quartermaster Millsbaugh brought the following emphatic response this afternoon:

CAMP MILLER, San Francisco, Cal., July 25, 1898.

C. Macardell, Middletown, N. Y.

Report of my resignation and reduction of Nickinson and Millsbaugh absolutely false. Cannot understand source of such rumors. Letters contradictory were mailed July 18th, with affidavits. If Times and Press are square they will reveal source of information, and action will be taken here.

A. E. MCINTYRE, Captain.

The above is correct.

JAMES T. CHASE, Major commanding Co. F's Battalion, 1st Infantry, N. Y. V.

EMPHATIC AND SWEEPING DENIAL OF CRUEL AND BASELESS RUMORS.

The Stories All Said Before the Company Left Camp Black—How a Barrel of Beer Was Magnified into Two—No Complaints Made and Therefore No Investigation Possible—Men Treated Well and Kindly—Not a Man Has Been in the Guard House—What Members of the Company Think of the Publication of the Story.

Special Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

THE PRESIDIO, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 18th, 1898.

Copies of the new Morning Forum reached here, to-day. It is hardly necessary for me to assure my friends that the vile accusations in the article relating to this company are false in every particular.

I am aware that many rumors were afloat in Middletown, before our departure from Camp Black, (June 11), concerning articles claimed to have been sent to members of the company and which never got beyond the First Sergeant's and Quartermaster's tent. The only one I was ever able to trace, to its originator was the rumor concerning the shipment of lager beer by the Orange County Brewing Co. It was claimed by some members that two barrels of beer had been shipped to me, but that only one was given out to the boys. The rumor started from an article in one of the papers stating that two barrels would be shipped as soon as the beer was ready for shipment. Only one barrel was shipped to Camp Black. It contained sixty-one quart bottles and was divided as equally as possible, only three bottles going to our tent for six men. In less than a week I heard the two barrels had been sent and it was asserted that one had been taken by me and sold in Hempstead. I visited home shortly after and in the presence of reliable witnesses was informed by W. C. F. Bastain and Theo. Reinecke, that only one barrel had been sent to me. Other members of the company investigated the matter and were able to prove the entire falsity of the rumor in very short order. I learned who started it, and the thoughtless young fellow, a recruit, who was responsible for the lie was one of the first to refute the statement.

As to delicacies shipped by friends to members of the company who never received them, I can only reiterate the statement that the accusation is cruelly false, and if any man ever failed to receive a box or package he also failed to report the fact to me or to the captain, in which case it would have been a very easy matter to trace the package through the express company and ascertain who did receive it. But you can gamble that every package received for me or any other man in tent 2 was delivered to the party to whom it was addressed. Furthermore many a delicacy found its way into the hands and mouths of men who were not as fortunate as the men in tent No. 2 in receiving such articles from home, when said men in tent No. 2 had more than they could use or keep.

The lie concerning Capt. McIntyre are more than unjust and it is safe to say that there is not an officer in the volunteer service who is as popular, not only with the men of his company but with the men of the entire regiment as that same captain.

There was a petition circulated during the heat of passion by a member of the company requesting Capt. McIntyre to investigate the manner in which the men were sent to their meals by the quartermaster, and it was signed by many members, but after one night's sleep and thought, the originators of the petition reconsidered the matter and the petition was destroyed. That Capt. McIntyre refused to receive it and that it was forwarded to Col. Barber over his head is a lie made out of whole cloth.

That a petition was in circulation concerning me, asking the captain to reduce me to the ranks, is also false. There has never been the slightest indication of such a movement and I have had assurances from more than two-thirds of the members of the company to-day that

they never even heard the slightest rumor or suggestion of a petition of that character.

When the good people of Middletown learn that the 24th is the only company in the regiment that has not had a man in the guard house since we started out, they must admit that the captain and first sergeant must deal fairly and leniently with every man, for it is with them that lies the responsibility of placing men under arrest, leading to their punishment by court martial. Some companies have had from ten to twenty men who have been fined or imprisoned for breaches of discipline, and in every case the men who caused the arrests were the captain and first sergeant.

There is not a member of the company who is fooled by the cover under which the low-lived writer of the scurrilous articles in question seeks to hide his identity. The theme of the article may have been inspired by "one of the rookies," but no one believes that a recruit wrote it nor that it was mailed from Omaha. The rumors are all old and the writer of the article, if he were not a craven coward, would have taken occasion to bring the "robberies" to the attention of the public before the persons whom he accused had reached a point 3,000 miles from home, and where he knew he would be safe from immediate bodily injury at their hands.

The last lines of his article apply to him and could not better express the feelings of the men of Co. I. They are: "But the fact also remains that there is much indignation in the company over the treatment the men have received, and there are loud calls for justice if not for vengeance" on the writer of the article. For, hiding his identity under the cover of "One of the Rookies" leaves every man who has ever had any real or fancied cause for complaint against the accused sergeants open to the suspicion of having written the letter.

A. E. NICKINSON.

A MOST SWEEPING DENIAL.

All the Privates of the Company Repudiate that "One of the Rookies" Letter—Say They Have Been Treated With Uniform Courtesy and Consideration—No Petition Asking for the Reduction to the Ranks of any Officer—Cited by Dan Veber's Affidavit.

District Attorney A. V. N. Powelson received the following letter, to-day, from private Daniel Veber:

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 18, 1898.

A. V. N. Powelson, Esq.

DEAR SIR:—I am not intimately acquainted with you but feel that you are sufficiently loyal to the officers and members of the 24th Separate Company, Co. I, 1st N. Y. V., to vindicate them in their absence from the low falsehoods circulated in Middletown, at present. The enclosed petition will speak for itself. It is the desire of the boys of the company that each of the daily papers will print the petition which I am sure will forever silence rumors as to the incompetency of our officers or as to dissatisfaction among the file. Perhaps from the sources of the charges we may seem to be taking extreme pains for contradicting them; that they are not worthy of attention, but under the circumstances, where we are not present personally to refute them and owing to their serious nature we thought it best for the wronged privates to speak for themselves. Kindly take the petition to one of the newspapers which will send proofs of same to the others, so that all the papers can print it the same day, and you will confer a great favor upon the members of this company.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL VEBER, one of the "privates."

The enclosure is as follows:

In reply to accusations made by the Middletown Daily Forum, July 12th and 13th (purported to have emanated from "one of the rookies"), the members of Co. I wish to say a few words.

The treatment of the "privates of the company" accorded by Captain McIntyre and the commissioned and non-commissioned officers since the departure of the company from the Middletown armory, May 2d, has been of uniform courtesy and consideration, for which we, the undersigned privates of the company, are extremely grateful. We have come into personal knowledge of the treatment received in the other companies and regiments, and know whereof we speak. No paper has been signed asking for the removal or reduction to the ranks of any officer of the company, any report to the contrary being a falsehood. There have been, however, and always will be for that matter, in any organization, slight personal differences, but these have never assumed serious proportions, neither does the public care to hear about them.

It is but in justice to the kind and thoughtful treatment of our company by the officers criticized that the undersigned wish to express their disapproval and show the falsity of the unjust and unkind rumors.

Following this were the signatures of every man in the company except the commissioned and non-commissioned officers, who were not given any opportunity to sign the document. The following affidavit was attached:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, } ss
Daniel Veber, being duly sworn, says that he is a private in Co. I, 1st Regiment, N. Y. V., and as such private is well acquainted with the privates in said company.

That the privates whose signatures appear on the annexed petition signed the same of their own free will and ac-

cord, and were not asked or urged to sign said petition by any officer or non-commissioned officer of said company, and that said petition was originated without the aid of the officers or non-commissioned officers of said company.

Dependent further says that the signatures to the annexed petition are the genuine signatures of the persons there named.

DANIEL VEBER,
GEORGE H. BORLAND, Notary Public.

AND STILL ANOTHER.

This Time It's Sergeant Barnes Who Says the Stories Are "Lies Made Out of Whole Cloth."

THE PRESIDIO, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 19, 1898.

EDITORS MIDDLETOWN DAILY PAPERS:—I am in receipt of copies of the Middletown Daily Forum, dated July 12th and 13th, which contain articles reflecting on the honesty and integrity of Sergeants Nickinson and Millsbaugh, and in which it was asserted that I had been the designer of a petition to Captain McIntyre, asking for their reduction to the ranks. I desire through your mediums to brand the allegations contained in the articles as lies made of whole cloth. No such petitions have ever been circulated, designed or suggested by me or any other member of the company and there has not been at any time any occasion for a petition of such character. I believe that I voice the sentiment of the company when I brand as false the accusation that the above named sergeants have ever misappropriated any "luxuries" sent to any member of this company, but on the contrary, am able to state that much of the so-called luxuries given to them, and purchased by them for their own use, were freely distributed among the members of this company.

The article in question was a cowardly attack upon men whose honor and integrity have never before been questioned, and is all the more cowardly because made at a time when they were far removed from the possibility of immediate refutation and opportunity to prove the falsity of the accusations and punish the writer of the article according to his just deserts.

Yours very truly,
J. E. BARNES.

DIED FROM BLOOD POISONING.

The Strange Circumstances Which Caused the Death of W. P. Odell at Baltimore.

William P. Odell, formerly of this city, whose death at Baltimore, July 20th, has been mentioned in this paper, did not die of diphtheria but of blood poisoning.

With several companions he bathed in Bear Creek, near Baltimore, the waters of which at this season are said to be very poisonous. All in the party were more or less affected by their bath, but Mr. Odell's case was more serious, for he was suffering from an abscess in his throat and the doctors said he must have swallowed some of the water, for the poison spread all through his system.

Mr. Odell was twenty-five years, eight months and nineteen days old.

Same Appropriate Airs.


It is said that the "stiddy" of a young lady residing in the western part of the city was reminded of the approaching hour of midnight, a few nights ago, by the young ladies and gentlemen next door, who sang "We won't go home till morning," and finally "Home, sweet home."

A Lost Child Cared for by the Police.

The police picked up a lost child Saturday afternoon, and not until 8:30 in the evening did its anxious mother, who lives on Wickham avenue near North street, recover her missing darling.

A Long Bicycle Ride.

Mortimer Hulse rode to Dingman's and back, Sunday, covering 81 miles in all.



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The Mystic Life Renewer is the most powerful nerve builder known. It cures all forms of nervous diseases and weakness so much how aggravated or of how long duration, such as neuralgia, nervous prostration, nervous paroxysms, St. Vitus's dance, palpitation of the heart, physical and mental weakness, debility of old age, etc.

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OLNEY'S PHARMACY, FRANKLIN SQUARE.

REMEMBER THE MAINE!

Yes and remember too that those Boys' Suits we advertised last week at half price are disappearing rapidly from our counters—"a word to the wise," etc.

Also that you can buy all Boys' 25c Waists for 15c or 2 for 25c, and all 50c Waists for 29c.

Then don't forget that we are bound to get rid of the balance of our Straw Hats, Light Underwear, Sweaters, Outing Shirts, etc. and we have made prices so low that they are sure to go quickly

Men's Suits and Odd Pants, ready or custom made, are so cheap that it will pay you to buy them for '99 if you do not need now.

Lastly, while you are at it, remember that we are closing out for a fact.

George W. Young, 16-18 East Main St.

RUN DOWN ON THE ERIE TRACK

Three Shohola Glen Excursionists Killed Near That Station, Sunday.

The Erie took twenty-four cars loaded with excursionists to Shohola Glen, Sunday. The trains were unloaded at Shohola and then went on to Lackawaxen, where engines were turned and the trains laid up until starting home time.

On the first train were two young Germans of the east-side, Gustav Betke, a painter, of No. 1,441 Avenue A, and Fritz Henninger, who for the last eight weeks had been living at No. 308 East Forty-sixth street, New York city.

They walked up the track toward Lackawaxen, and were overtaken by a King Fuller's car, about a mile and a half west of Shohola, by the second train. There is a sharp curve at this point, and the engineer did not see the men until he was directly upon them. They were knocked about fifty feet, and when the trainmen got to where they were dead.

Betke owned fifty acres of land at Lackawaxen, and suggested that Henninger buy five acres from him. The two men were going to Lackawaxen for the purpose of looking over the property. Betke was thirty-two years old and was married. His wife is now in the German Hospital, at Park avenue and Seventy-seventh street, New York, under treatment for a disease of the eyes. There are two children, one two months old and the other three years old.

THREE DAYS IN THE WOODS.

Crabbed by "Moonshine" Apple Jack and Muzzled by Tramps—A New York Man's Vacation Experience.

John McGuire, the young New Yorker who, as mentioned in Saturday's Argus, wandered off into the Pike county woods and was found almost naked, after a three days' absence, was spending the summer at Lava, near Narrowsburg. He drank a considerable quantity of apple jack, which the Gazette says was manufactured at some of the "moonshine" stills in the hills near Lava, and it had the effect of making him crazy.

When found by two farmers, four miles back of Lackawaxen, he fought with the strength and cunning of a wild man; but the farmers, anxious to secure the reward of \$100 offered for his recovery by his brother, William McGuire, of New York city, gave him no chance to escape, and finally overpowered him.

The young man was almost famished, and ate ravenously, after which he became more rational and more docile. He was turned over to his brother, who was at Lackawaxen, and who took him back to New York.

McGuire says that after leaving Parker's Glen he was set upon by a party of tramps, who robbed him of a considerable sum of money, his watch and jewelry, and even took his clothing, leaving him only his shirt.

LOW PRICES FOR HAY.

New York Dealers Buying Large Quantities at Very Low Figures.

A New York hay dealer has bought 1,000 tons of hay in the vicinity of Monticello at prices that barely pay the farmers for the cost of gathering. Dealers have also made large purchases in this county and in the Delaware Valley section of Sullivan county and in Ulster and Delaware counties.

The large crop and the experience of other years that hay when abundant rules low in price have tempted farmers to take almost any price that is offered. If the war is prolonged the need of hay for the army mules and horses will almost certainly cause prices to rule higher than under other conditions and in any event farmers can scarcely afford to sell for current prices. The hay is worth more for bedding and fertilizing purposes than they are getting for it now.

Not a Very Successful Sale.

The Consolidated Gas, Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, of Newburgh, offered for sale at auction, Saturday, \$29,000 six per cent. coupon bonds, due in 1925. Two \$500 bonds brought 101½, four 100's, two 100's, and the balance of the issue was bid in by the company at par. The bonds were issued to raise funds for the extension of the company's heating plant and additional electrical and steam equipment.

A Port Jervis Divorce Case.

The Port Jervis divorce case of Martha Wagel vs. Andrew Wagel, in which separation is desired on the ground of cruelty and failure to support, was before Judge Dickey in special term at Newburgh, Saturday. The affidavits showed a most unhappy state of affairs in the home. The wife was given an allowance of \$6 a week and \$75 counsel fees.

State Hospital Employees Going to Collins Farm.

Dr. D. H. Arthur, of the State Hospital at Collins Farm, is to have the assistance of three of the best employees of the hospital here: A. J. Kilbride, who will be supervisor, Miss Olive Carpenter, matron, and James Carpenter, head painter. Charlie Wilson has already preceded them as Dr. Arthur's concubine.

Do You Read.

What people are saying about Hood's Sarsaparilla? It is curing the worst cases of scrofula, dyspepsia, rheumatism and all forms of blood disease, eruptions, sores, boils and pimples. It is giving strength to weak and tired women. Why should you hesitate to take it when it is doing so much for others?

HOOD'S PILLS are the best family cathartic and liver tonic. Gentle, reliable, sure.

GRACE CHURCH'S LAWN PARTY.

Tennis Tournament in the Afternoon—The Evening's Entertainment.

The following ladies and gentlemen will take part in the tennis tournament, to-morrow afternoon, in the lawn party at Miss Horton's residence on Roberts street: Miss Munger, Miss Mayzie Thompson, W. W. Woodward, Frank Yocum, Joseph Yocum, Philip Rorty and Rector Evans. The game will begin at 4 o'clock, sharp.

In the evening, at 7:30, there will be an entertainment of songs and recitations on the lawn with Bright and Berg's orchestra. The songs will be of a patriotic and popular character, in which the audience will be able to join. The occasion will be one long to be remembered, for the Daughters of the King have worked hard to make it a success. There will be a charge of ten cents for admission.

ROLLED ON THE TRACK.

Two Men Made a Failure of Trying to Board a Moving Train.

When the second Shohola Glen excursion train passed through this city, Sunday evening, the air brakes became set and two Jersey City men, Otto Fisher and Herman Schewers, alighted and walked down the bank into Mrs. Parkin's yard. When the train started they rushed up the bank and attempted to board it. Both were knocked down and Fisher picked himself up and made another try, getting a bad tumble.

The ambulance was called out by those who had seen the accident but the men were able to walk to the James street station and went home on the milk train. Fisher had a cut on his head.

AN INTELLIGENT POSTMASTER.

Sent Off No Mail Because the Bag Wasn't Full.

From the Walton Reporter.

A new post office was recently established in a small village in northern Chenango county, and a native of the soil was appointed postmaster. After a time complaints were made that no mail was sent out from the new post office, and an inspector was sent to inquire into the matter. He called upon the postmaster, and stating the cause of his visit, asked why no mail matter was sent out. The postmaster pointed to a big and nearly empty mail bag hanging in a corner, and said: "Well, I ain't sent it out 'cause the bag ain't nowhere nigh full yet."

CUT RATES FOR SUMMER GUESTS

Sullivan County Resorts Feeling the Effects of the Competition of Seaside Hotels.

A correspondent of the Port Jervis Gazette says that many of the summer resorts in Sullivan county are suffering because of the cut rate prices advertised by seaside resorts, which as soon as fears of Spanish bombardment were over offered low rates in order to attract guests who had planned to go into the mountains. The correspondent above quoted adds that hotelkeepers at White Lake, in order to fill up their houses, had to cut prices.

A One-Sided Ball Game.

In the game at base ball at Chester Saturday, between the Middletown Athletic Club and the Chester team, our boys suffered a bad defeat, the score being 14 to 3. The Middletowners were handicapped, however, by the absence of Adelman, Cosner, Miller and Wengert, and when the return game is played at an early date we may expect them to retrieve their laurels.

Publications and Documents of Historic Interest.

James A. Clark, of this city, has donated to the Minisink Valley Historical Society a supplement to *Illustrated American News* of May 7, 1853, containing 16 pages of description of the recently completed Erie railroad from Piermont to Dunkirk with numerous illustrations. Donations to the society are also acknowledged from Rev. J. L. Stillwell, of Bloomingburgh; Miss Kate Woodward, of Mt. Hope, and Miss Mary Osborne, of Otterville, and others.

A Go-As-You-Please Race to Bloomingburgh.

Two young lawyers of this city indulged in a go-as-you-please race to Bloomingburgh, Sunday. The winner covered the eight miles in an hour and twenty-five minutes, and his defeated rival for pedestrian honors strolled into Bloomingburgh twenty minutes later.

Mrs. Sprout's Ninety-Seventh Birthday Reception.

Mrs. Julia Sprout, Middletown's oldest resident, will be ninety-seven years old, to-morrow. In honor of the event she will be glad to see her friends, from 3 to 6 o'clock, at her home, corner of Wickham and Wisner avenues.

Took an Unnecessary Chance.

A man and woman, dragging a child between them, ran in front of the Orange County Express, this morning, skipping over the rails to the platform, where the man kissed both good-bye and got on the train, which waited at the station for two or three minutes. Luckily they didn't stumble in front of the engine.

Painting the Electric Light Poles.

The Gas and Electric Light Company began the work of painting its poles about town, to-day. Painter Bennett has the contract, and is painting them a light gray. The base will be painted black and stencilled forbidding bill posting.

SALUTING IN THE ARMY.

A Thing Which Volunteers Never Learn How to Do as the Regulars Do It.

One thing which the volunteers find it hard to do—a thing which perhaps they will never do in anything like the form in which the regulars do it—is to salute officers. Take a volunteer who is bronzed and big like a regular, and put him in a regular's clothes and send him out on the street, and he would certainly betray himself as a volunteer at his first meeting with an officer. The regular, walking on the street, salutes every officer he meets by raising the straightened fingers of his right hand to the brim of his hat, just over the right eye, and keeping them there until the officer has passed. The volunteer cannot be made to hold his hand there in any such way, says the Boston Transcript.

If he salutes a strange officer of low rank at all, he salutes him with the quick dash which is the regular officer's salute to the private. If the regular soldier is seated when an officer approaches in camp, on the street or anywhere else, he rises, faces the officer, stands very erect, and makes this salute. No one ever sees a volunteer private do this. A regular cavalryman trying to get his horse across the bridge while an electric car was crossing it from the other direction. The horse was plunging and leaping wildly, and the soldier had to work hard to control him. At this moment a young second lieutenant of Ohio volunteers came along the footway. In the midst of his horse's gyrations the mounted regular managed to salute the pedestrian officer in proper form. The smile of admiration and satisfaction on that young officer's face was worth going a long way to see.

SAILOR HATS TRYING.

The Low-Crowned, Narrow-Brimmed Ones Worn This Year Are Unbecoming.

The low-crowned, narrow-brimmed straw sailor of the season is going to rob the summer girl of much of her beauty, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Several dozen women of all degrees of good looks fitted sailor hats on at one of the big shops and gazed disapprovingly in the mirror at themselves. There were all sorts of sailor hats on the tables and counters, low-crowned, narrow-brimmed ones of coarse straw, higher crowned, broader brimmed ones of fine straw, and various versions of each variety. The saleswoman declared that they were all this year's model. The customers murmured that only the low-crowned, broad-brimmed hats were new. Then they continued fitting on and frowning at themselves and smiling derisively at each other.

"I never saw such a fright," said one young woman, as she resumed her own flowery hat after vainly searching for a becoming sailor among the low-crowned, coarse affairs. "I shall hunt up my last year's hat and wear that. It is pretty and makes me look well, anyway."

"But these are considered very stylish," said the saleswoman, placing a little hat on her own head, where it looked about the size of a postage stamp. "They are made like boys' hats, and boys' hats and shoes and collars are the models for the best styles this season, you know."

The Brute.

May—What's the average woman's weight?
Maxence—Till the man asks her.—Town Topics.

Good Cause.

He—I know how to manage my wife.
He—Why don't you?
He—She's so obstinate she won't let me.—N. Y. World.

DIED.

JACOBS, At Crystal Run, July 24th, '98, Warren L., son of Nial Jacobs, aged two years, seven months.

IN HOSPITALS

Many Operations are Made Necessary By Diseased Bladder and Kidneys.

In the hospitals hundreds of operations for Stone in the Bladder and Diseased Kidneys are made necessary because the patients neglected to keep their Urinary Organs in a healthy condition. They kept "putting things off" until it was too late. The most deadly foe to Kidney, Bladder and Blood Diseases is

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

Thirty years ago it began curing people who had frequent desire to urinate, especially at night; who experienced scalding pain in passing water; whose urine, when left standing, contained a sediment; who also stained linen when it touched it; who suffered day and night with pain in the small of the back. It has never failed to give relief in incurable cases, and absolute restoration to health has followed its use in all cases not beyond human help. It is sold in drug stores for \$1 per bottle.

SAMPLE BOTTLE FREE.—Those who suffer from the above ailments, or from Rheumatism, Skin Diseases, Liver Complaint or Constipation, may have a sample bottle and pamphlet of valuable information free by sending their name and address to Dr. David Kennedy, Corner of Rock and N. Y. In writing for Free Sample it is necessary to mention this paper, so we may know that the request is made in good faith.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Will Attend a Festival at Chester—A Business Law Inspector—A Treat for the Convalescent Children—Near the Fall End—Personal and Local Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Fred. W. Walsh is spending his vacation at the St. Elmo.

—J. W. Gott and family start to-morrow for their cottage at Camp Sabael, Indian Lake.

—Miss Lotza Van Riper has issued invitations for an "At Home" at Laurel Hall on the evening of August 2d.

—Rev. D. J. McMillan, of New York, preached ably at the Presbyterian Church, yesterday.

—Goshen was defeated at Honesdale, Saturday. Score, 2 to 0. Goshen is dangerously near the bottom of the heap.

—A Raines law inspector arrived in town, Saturday, and is here yet.

—The children at the Convalescent Home have been invited to participate in the festival of St. James' Sunday School on the church lawn, to-morrow afternoon.

—A load of young people from this village will attend the festival of St. Columba's Church at Chester, to-morrow night.

—F. C. Van Keuren, of New York, spent Sunday in town.

THE DROUGHT IN DELAWARE COUNTY

All Vegetation Suffering and the Outlook for Farmers Gloomy Indeed.

The rains which, last week, refreshed this section were purely local and did not benefit the drought-parched region north of us. In Delaware county the situation is becoming very serious. Pasture has become so shortened that the milk yield has fallen off nearly one-third. The oat crop has been seriously damaged, and if the dry weather continues corn in many cases will be a failure. Fields and meadows that have been mown give no signs of starting a second time. Potatoes are suffering and the yield will certainly be light.

The situation is serious, and but for the fact that the hay crop is large a repetition of a few years ago's experience when drought and grasshoppers almost ruined the farmers of Delaware county, is likely to be repeated.

Died at Thrall Hospital.

B. J. Katze, of New York, who was operated upon at Thrall Hospital, last week, by Drs. Pillsbury and Connor, was unable to stand the shock and he passed away quietly Saturday night, about 8 o'clock.

Undertaker F. O. Rockefeller took the remains to New York city, to-day.

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills cure Neuralgia.

ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

"Come over to do con'troy an' have some fun" was the suggestion shouted by one street urchin to another in the hearing of an Angus man Sunday afternoon.

It suggested two ideas: One that some Middletown boys have queer ideas of the use for which cemeteries are intended; the other that the new managers of the cemetery might do well to make it less popular with youngsters in search of Sunday afternoon fun.

This week's Standard contains an excellent photograph of private Lester Robinson, of the 24th, showing him taking in the bathers at Coney Island while his company was in camp at Fort Hamilton.

A few weeks ago a versatile correspondent of a New York paper in this city concocted a story based more or less on fact, that Emmet Ketcham, a well known resident of Mount Hope, shares his chewing tobacco with his favorite horse. To-day a copy of the San Francisco Chronicle was received from "Nick" in which the story was copied from the New York paper. "Nick" marked it with the sage expression: "Such is fame."

In the interest of humanity it seems as if one of the city's day policemen should be at the Erie James street station mornings when the Orange County Express and Mountain Express arrive, to prevent the recklessness of the small horde of newsboys. They take more chances than a man with two or three accident policies, and they shock the nerves of half the people who patronize these trains. The killing or maiming of one or more of these lads seems likely in the very near future, unless prompt measures for their protection are taken.

ONTARIO HOSE'S FLAGS.

The Stars and Stripes the Gift of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Ontario Hose Company displays a handsome American flag from a pole on the peak, and a Cuban flag from the front of its truck house.

The flag raising occurred Saturday afternoon, and was participated in by a large number of people. The members feel especially proud of this flag, as it was made by the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary. James Kennedy cast the eagle and ball, other members secured the pole and painted it, and the total expense to the company was less than a dollar.

Made to Milford.

George H. Iseman, F. M. Stratton and O. Harry Brown rode their wheels to Milford, Sunday morning.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. \$1. All druggists.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

July 25, 1898. New York, July 25, '98.

Stocks	Yesterday	Today
Amalgamated	120 1/2	120 1/2
Am. Express	110 1/2	110 1/2
Am. Sugar	80 1/2	80 1/2
Am. Tobacco	30 1/2	30 1/2
Gen. Electric	50 1/2	50 1/2
U. S. L. pref.	50 1/2	50 1/2
U. S. Steel	25 1/2	25 1/2
A. T. & S. F.	12 1/2	12 1/2
O. B. & C.	100 1/2	100 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	90 1/2	90 1/2
E. I. du Pont	80 1/2	80 1/2
D. L. & W.	90 1/2	90 1/2
C. of N. J.	90 1/2	90 1/2
D. & H.	100 1/2	100 1/2
O. & W.	15	15
Quebecan & Western	—	—
Quebecan & West. pref.	—	—
P. & M.	17	17 1/2
W. B.	120 1/2	120 1/2
N. Y. C.	110 1/2	110 1/2
M. F.	80 1/2	80 1/2
Texaco	12 1/2	12 1/2
U. P. pref.	24 1/2	24 1/2
W. Union	92 1/2	92 1/2
L. & N.	100 1/2	100 1/2
M. & E.	100 1/2	100 1/2
P. M.	30 1/2	30 1/2
Wabash, pref.	18 1/2	18 1/2
No. Pacific, pref.	71 1/2	71 1/2
Metropolitan Traction	181 1/2	181 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	84 1/2	84 1/2
Southwestern, pref.	21	21
Sept. Wheat	67 1/2	67 1/2
Sept. Corn	34 1/2	34 1/2
Sept. Oats	20 1/2	20 1/2
Sept. Pork	\$9 3/4	\$10 00
Sept. Lard	5 00	5 00



RIPE OLD AGE.
Is only attained by preserving these faculties which nature has endowed us. The smiling, contented, happy, BRIGHT-EYED old man will tell us that he owes the preservation of his EYE SIGHT to proper care of his eyes in youth and middle age. These old men will tell us that if we do that I will not do for you and your eyes.

FRED MOULE, Ophthalmic Optician.
NO. 5 WEST MAIN ST., UP STAIRS.

OST—This morning between 11 and 12 o'clock, on Wickham avenue, between O. and W. depot and Linden avenue, a pocketbook containing sum of money and a key. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at this office.

HART DAVIS,

Special Sale of Wrappers.

Best Values Ever Shown.

45 North St.

Special Sale of Toilet Articles.

YOUR MONEY is apt to go farthest where profits are smallest. **THAT'S** here. The swing of the crowd proves it. Shoppers go where their interests are most carefully considered. You see the practical side of that statement here every day. There's no need to make a noise about the store's growing business. You can see that for yourself. What we are anxious to have you remember is that our aim all along has been to bring you **BEST VALUES** in reliable merchandise and get them here at just the right time and right price. Just now we are making some very low prices on seasonable merchandise bought at much less than the regular prices.

Wash Goods.

A great many of our customers have told us that we have the nicest and best selected stock of Wash Goods in the city. We know that the prices are the lowest of any, as some are marked almost half early season's prices.

34 inch Jacksonette Lawns, fine sheer cloth, in very pretty styles, never sold for less than 10c, as long as they last 6c yard.

34 inch Lace Striped Organdies and Corded Lilies, all dainty patterns in both light and dark shades. Well worth 12½c, as long as they last 8½c yard.

40 inch fine Lawns in black and navy blue grounds with white figures, the regular price was 15c, now 10c yard.

Real imported plain navy blue and black Organdies, with white figures and dots. Sold early at 25c yard, as long as they last 15c.

Fine imported plain Organdies, with dainty colored figures, sold in every store for 19c, as long as this lot lasts 10c yard.

Toilet Goods.

No large city store carries a better stock of popular priced goods than we do. Nothing sold but what we can warrant. Try us and we will make a steady customer of you.

Our own large bottle of Florida Water 25c.

Pope's Violet Ammonia, finest goods made, 15c a bottle or 2 for 25c.

Oakley's finest Triple Waters, two or four ounce bottles, 25c, 40c.

Large bottle Household Ammonia, best goods made, 8c.

Almond Meal, one of the finest things for the complexion, 25c bottle.

Tetlow's Face Powder 10c box.

Tetlow's Gossamer Face Powder 19c box.

Lablanch Face Powder 30c.

Bailey's Face Powder 10c box.

Genuine Violet Soap 10c cake. Soap box free with each cake.

One ounce bottle good extract, all odors, goods we can warrant, 15c bottle, regular price 25c.

Violet Soap, 3 large cakes in a box, 10c box. A large New York store advertised the same soap worth 30c box.

75c white or black Back Hair Brushes as long as they last 39c.

Special lot Tooth Brushes as long as they last 10c each.

Towels.

Extra large bleached Bath Towels 15c or 2 for 25c.

Extra large all linen Huck Towels, one of the best value we have ever shown, 15c.

Crash and Linen Skirts.

One of the most sensible and cheapest garments a lady can get for all kinds of summer wear. Our skirts are perfect fitting and at the prices we have marked them at lower than you can buy the material for.

Ladies' Crash Skirts, perfect fitting, wide hem, well made, 49c.

Ladies' extra heavy Crash Skirts, made with extra wide hem, perfect fitting, 98c.

Ladies' all Linen Skirts, fitted with extra wide hem, with four and six rows of stitching, lap seams, the best value shown by any store, all sizes 39 to 44, \$1.25, \$1.48.

Ladies' all Linen Skirts, with corded apron front, couldn't be better made, \$1.98.

Ladies' White Duck and Pique Skirts, well made and perfect fitting, 69c, 98c, \$1.98, \$2.25.

Umbrellas.

We sold two hundred and fifty of one number in June. We have just one hundred and fifty more that is one of the best values ever shown by any store. All new goods.

26 inch Carolina Silk, paragon frame, steel rods, Congo sticks, well worth \$1.50, as long as they last 98c.

28 inch Carolina Silk, the same as the above, only with men's handles, as long as they last \$1.19c.

Ladies' all Silk Taffeta Umbrellas, with silk case, fine Congo stick, well worth \$2, as long as the last \$1.48.

Belts.

Ladies' black Seal Leather Belts, leather lined and double stitched, 25c. The same belt extra sizes up to 36 inches 35c.

Ladies' Morie Belts in black and tan, bound with leather and leather lined, one of the latest fashions, 25c.

A great variety of Ladies' Velvet and Silk Belts, all new goods, with new style, slide and buckle, 50c.

Domestics.

Best Sheets, 40c, 44c, 48c. Pillow Cases 95c, 12c, 14c. White Bed Spreads 40c, 65c, 98c. Special Linen Napkins 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98. Table Linen 25c, 39c, 50c, 75c.

Ladies' Wrappers.

Last month we closed out from three leading manufacturers about one thousand and wrappers. Those with our regular stock makes more than all the other stores carry together. We can sell you wrappers from this great stock at about what other stores have to pay for their goods in small quantities. Our wrappers are always made well and fit perfectly.

Ladies' Percale Wrappers in both light and dark styles, bound seams, tight fitting back, handsomely made, sizes 32 to 44, 69c.

Ladies' Percale and Lawn Wrappers in a great variety of styles, many of them sold early in the season for \$1.50, all sizes from 32 to 44, as long as the lots last 98c.

Ladies' Dainty House Dresses made mostly from the finest percales. Some Lawns at \$1.29, \$1.48.

Shirt Waists.

Ladies' Shirt Waists, an odd lot of about 25, not all sizes, the regular price was 50c to \$1, as long as they last 25c.

Ribbons.

Fancy Ribbons in every combination of colors in checks, stripes and plaids. Also plain Morie in all colors. One of the best bargains we ever offered. About half the regular price 10c yard.

Shirt Waists Nets.

Ladies' Pearl Dumb Bell Cuff Buttons with collar button to match, special at 10c set.

Ladies' Pearl Sets and Gold Sets, with pins to match, the regular price was 50c, as long as they last 25c.

Beauty Pin Shirt Waist Nets, one of the latest fashions, very pretty style, 25c set.

Muslin Underwear.

Ladies' Cambr